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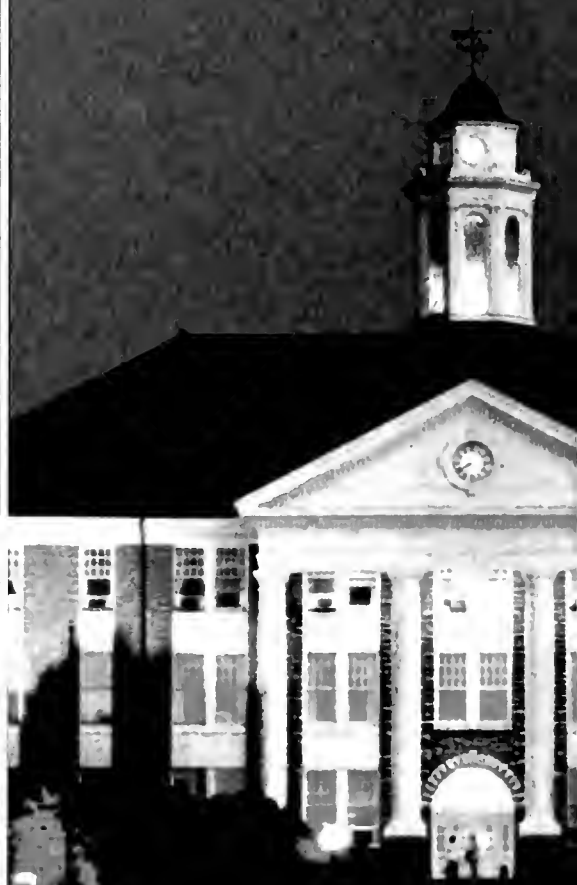
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"It is my good fortune, moreover, to have the path in which I am to tread lighted by examples of illustrious services successfully rendered in the most trying difficulties by those who have marched before me ... In them my confidence will under every difficulty be best placed, next to that which we have all been encouraged to feel in the guardianship and guidance of the Almighty Being whose power regulates the density of nations, whose blessings have so conspicuously dispensed to the rising Republic, and to whom we are bound to address our devout gratitude for the past, as well as our fervent supplications and best hopes for the future."

-James Madison  
March 4, 1809









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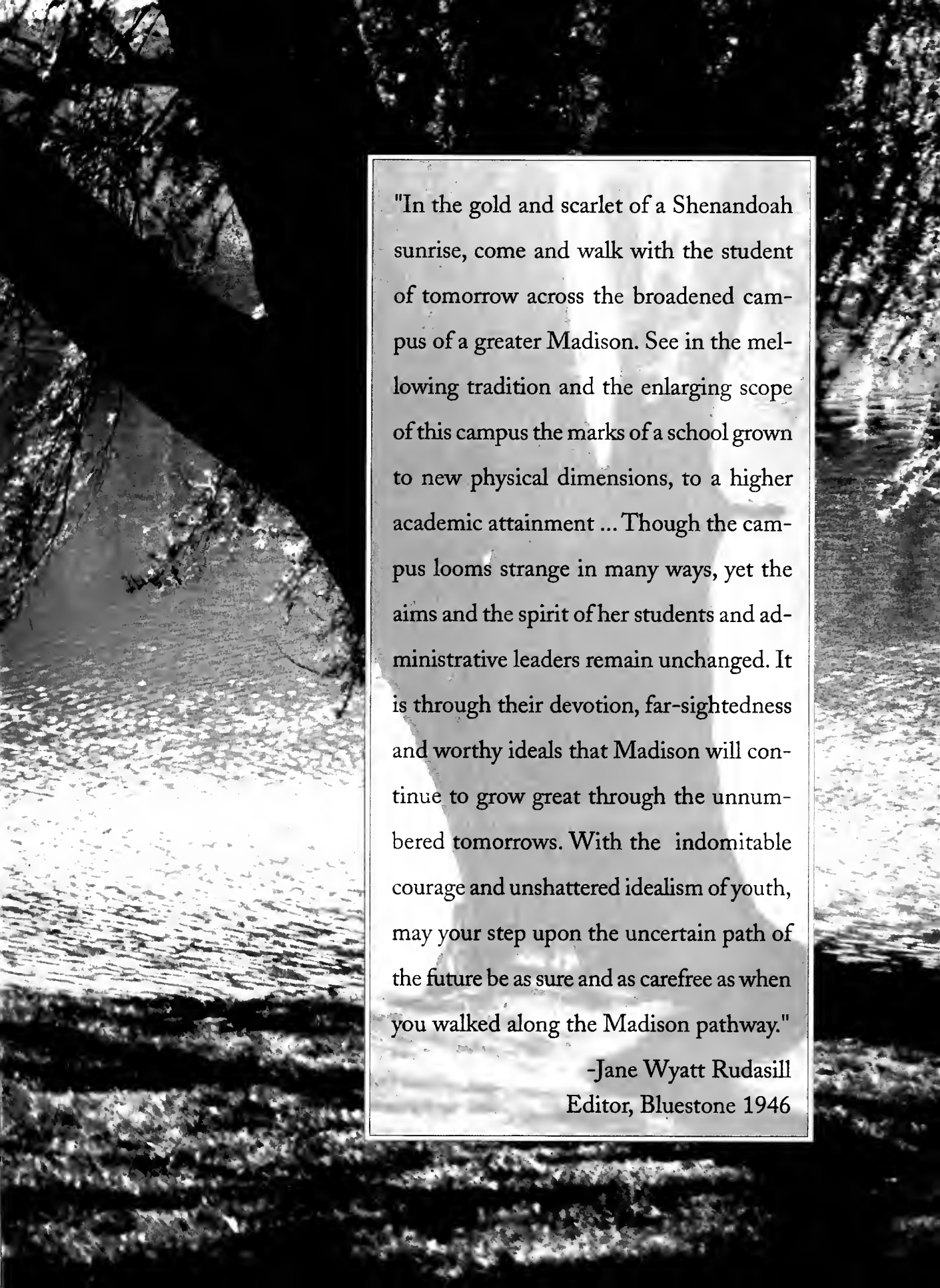
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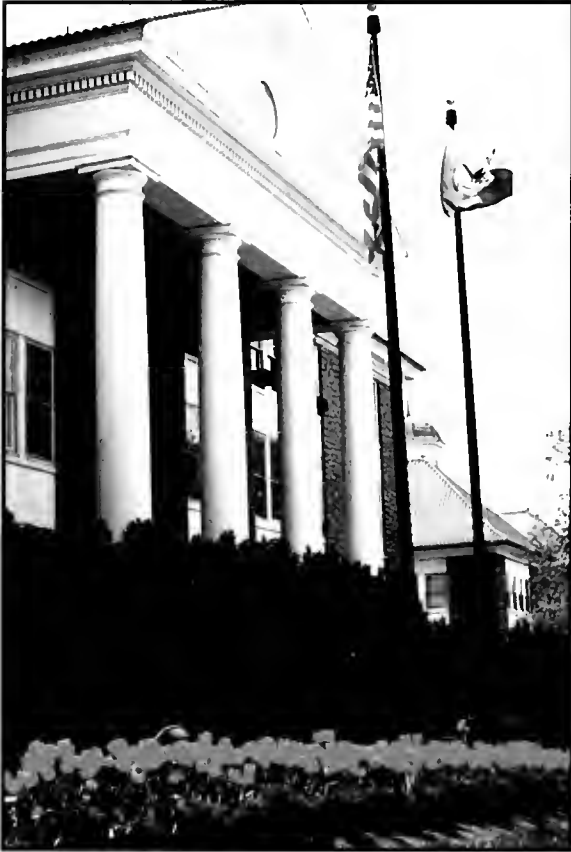




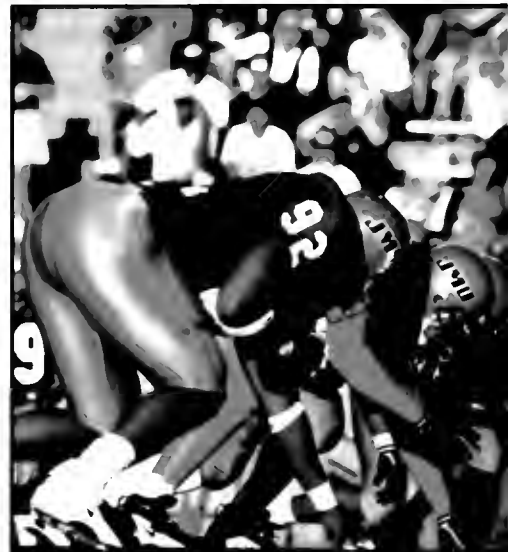


"In the gold and scarlet of a Shenandoah sunrise, come and walk with the student of tomorrow across the broadened campus of a greater Madison. See in the mellowing tradition and the enlarging scope of this campus the marks of a school grown to new physical dimensions, to a higher academic attainment ... Though the campus looms strange in many ways, yet the aims and the spirit of her students and administrative leaders remain unchanged. It is through their devotion, far-sightedness and worthy ideals that Madison will continue to grow great through the unnumbered tomorrows. With the indomitable courage and unshattered idealism of youth, may your step upon the uncertain path of the future be as sure and as carefree as when you walked along the Madison pathway."

-Jane Wyatt Rudasill  
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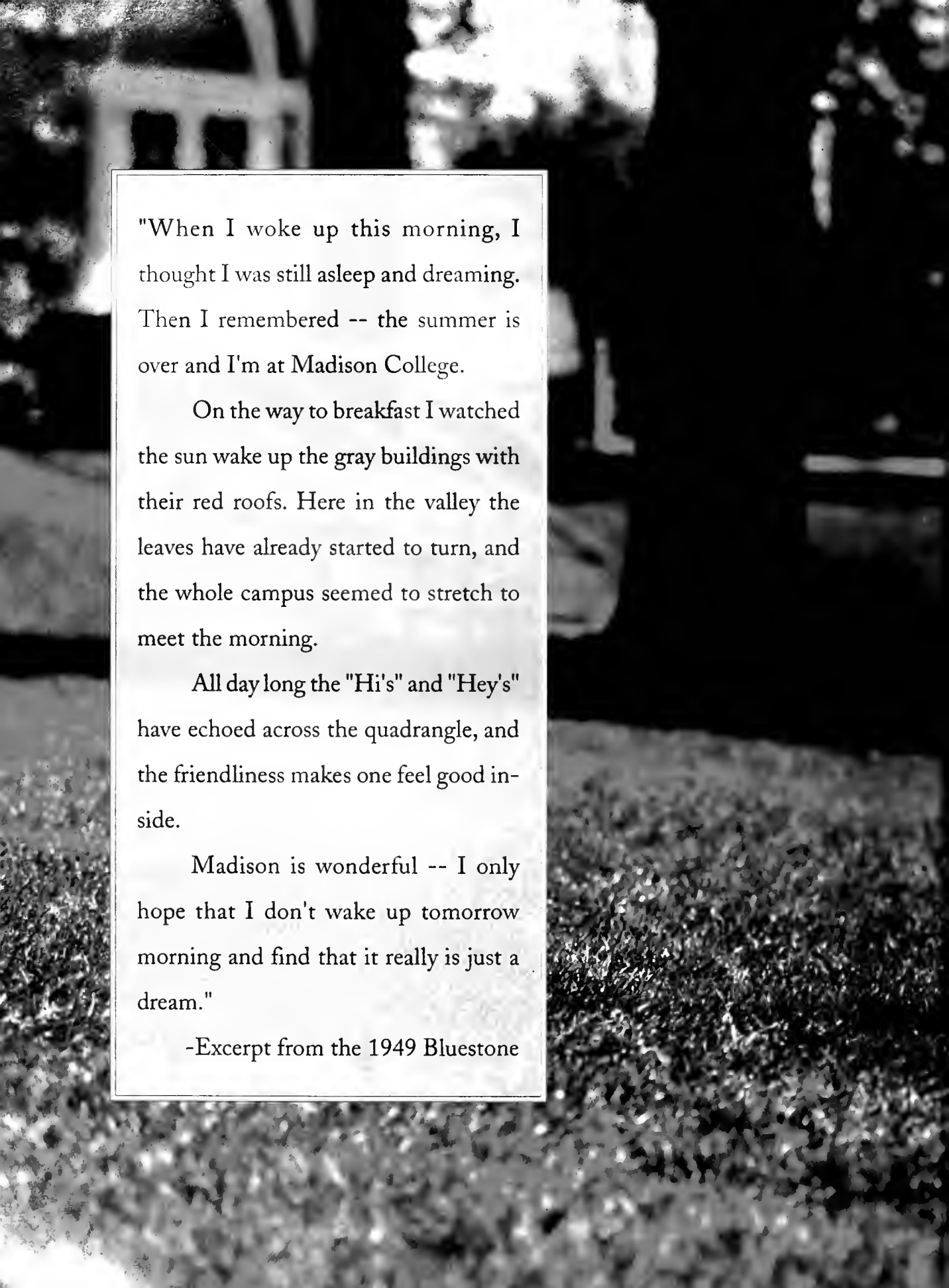
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"When I woke up this morning, I thought I was still asleep and dreaming. Then I remembered -- the summer is over and I'm at Madison College.

On the way to breakfast I watched the sun wake up the gray buildings with their red roofs. Here in the valley the leaves have already started to turn, and the whole campus seemed to stretch to meet the morning.

All day long the "Hi's" and "Hey's" have echoed across the quadrangle, and the friendliness makes one feel good inside.

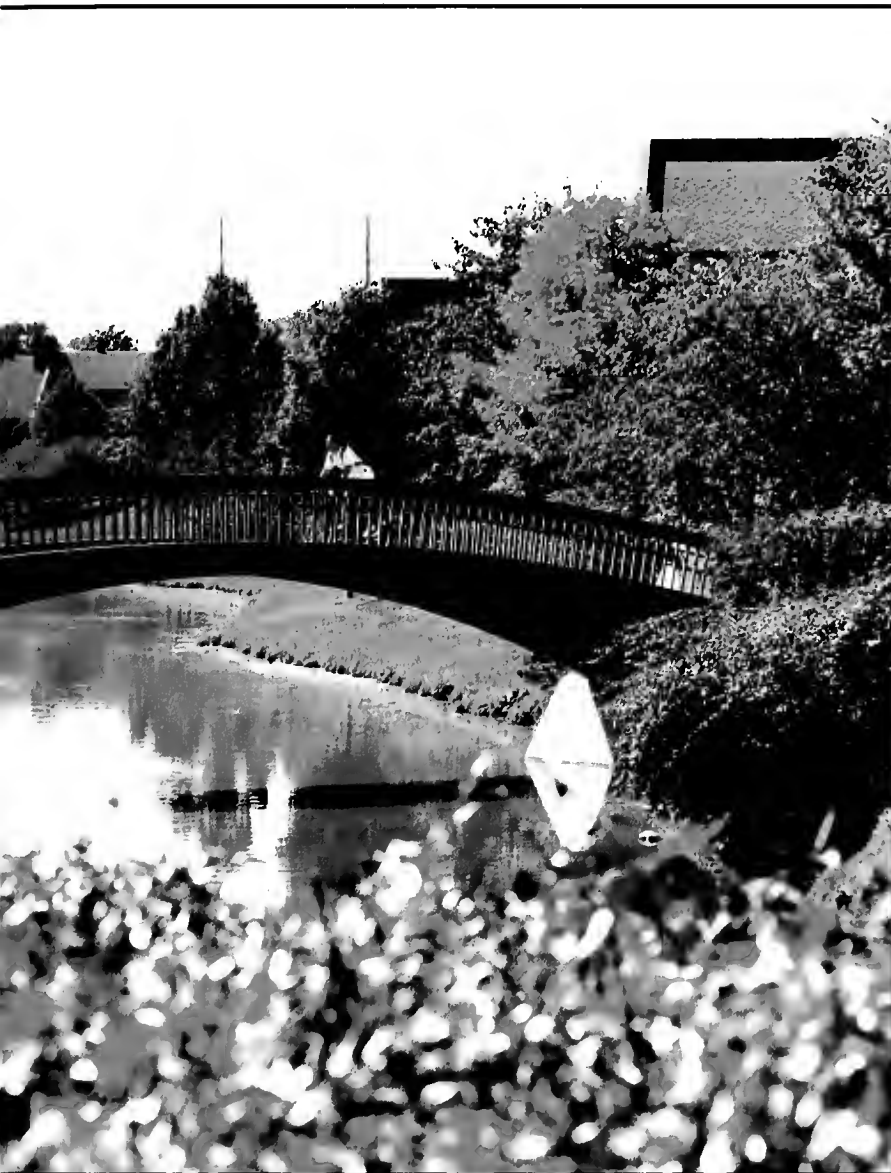
Madison is wonderful -- I only hope that I don't wake up tomorrow morning and find that it really is just a dream."

-Excerpt from the 1949 Bluestone









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# FLOURISH

From the 1927 May Queen and Her Court to today's Mr. and Ms. Madison, the university has seen a number of changes. Since it was founded in 1908 as the State Normal and Industrial School for Women, our school has flourished into a coeducational liberal arts university with over 12,000 students. In 1977, Madison College was renamed James Madison University under President Ronald E. Carrier and has since made a name for itself nationally. Student life has changed with the university as athletics, entertainment and extracurricular activities have created an atmosphere of tradition combined with innovation. Whether we were working out at the University Recreation Center, enjoying a concert at the Convo or running to a meeting, the increased amenities of recent years have made our college years more than just homework.

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# Looking AHEAD

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With mixed emotions ranging from nostalgia and sadness to excitement and elation, the Class of 1996 received their diplomas in front of the proud faces of family and friends. With diplomas in hand, the newest Madison alumni brought an end to their years at JMU and began the next phase of their lives.

"I was so excited that I was finally graduating but I was also a little apprehensive about going out into the world," said graduate Laura Solomon. "I decided, though, that I wasn't going to think about that because I was having such a great time with all my friends."

Storm clouds and rains plagued the ceremony but that didn't dampen the festive atmosphere. Excited graduates donned their caps with messages and symbols representative of their college years. Beach balls, balloons and toilet paper streamed through the air as guest speakers congratulated the students. Camera flashes popped from all directions as the tassels turned and diplomas were distributed.

"It was supposed to be a serious and dignified event," said graduate Alicia Mellman, "but all the seniors just wanted to celebrate and have a good time."

After the main ceremony in Bridgeforth Stadium, students divided into smaller ceremonies held by the different colleges within the university. Ceremonies were held all over campus, including on the Quad and in the Convocation Center. At these smaller, more intimate ceremonies, graduates walked across the stage as their names were announced.

After the satellite ceremonies, tailgating, celebrations and barbecues popped up all around the city as the graduation festivities continued throughout the day.

"Everyone was talking about long-term plans, jobs and traveling," said graduate Ryan Netzer. "All I could think about was the immediate future and having a great time during my last few days at JMU."

Graduate Ryan Sullivan said, "I had worked hard for the last few years and it was now time for me to take a break from everything and see America. Madison taught me a lot about life and people and I think that with this diploma, I'm ready to begin my new life."

BY SONAL DUTT





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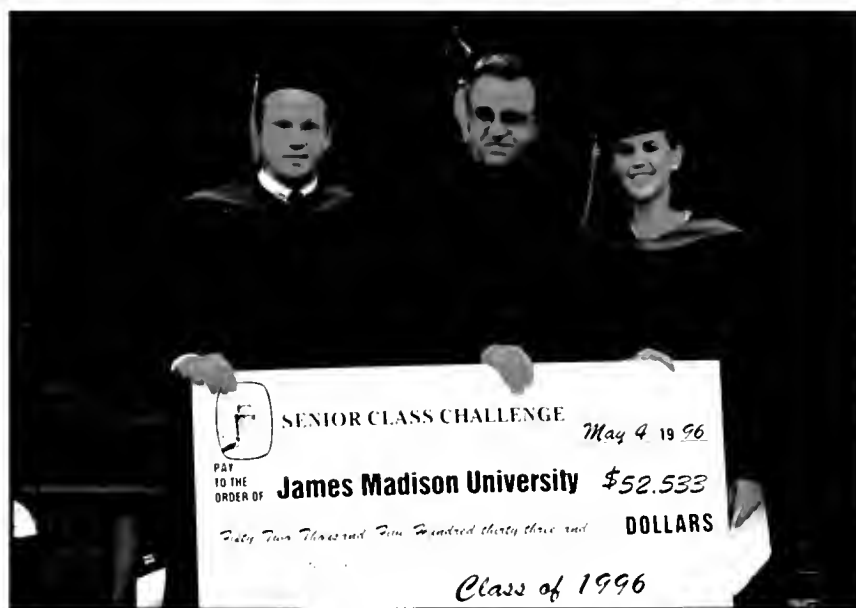
**C**elebrating after diploma distribution, 1996 graduates look into the crowd at Bridgeforth Stadium. Balloons, tassels, caps and gowns helped to make this important day finally complete.



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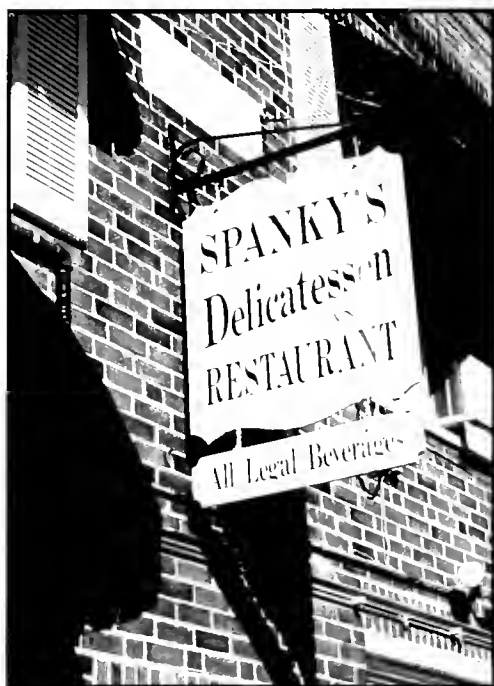
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**R**epresenting the Class of 1996, Robert Bernard Pritchard addresses his fellow graduates as part of the commencement program last May. Pritchard was selected by nomination and a final vote by the senior class.

**A**nticipating the coming downpour, thousands of parents fill Bridgeforth Stadium for the graduation of the Class of '96. Although only a few people came prepared, the crowd refused to let the rain ruin their celebration.

**S**etting a new record, Max Surkov and Elizabeth Nikol Howard present funds raised by the Senior Class Challenge as their class gift. The money the class raised went toward a scholarship fund.

Enjoying themselves thoroughly, these students take a break from their fun and dancing to pose for a picture. The weekends, which began on Thursdays for many, were never dull.



Known for the graffiti on the tables and walls, Spanky's is always a source of good food and fun. The restaurant remained a popular favorite for many.



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Finishing up their meal, these students sit back and relax at the Waffle House. Whether it was 11 at night or 3 in the morning, students could always be found hanging out there.

Attending an  $\Lambda\Phi\Omega$  theme party, senior Julia Cornick, senior Sonal Dutt and junior Lisa Bishop dress like little kids. Theme parties were great variations of the weekly party routine.



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Dutt

# Going OUT

With all of the unique and stimulating entertainment options that JMU and the surrounding community offered students, nightlife was never at a standstill. Activities ranged from partying on The Row to watching a movie among a rowdy audience at Grafton-Stovall Theatre.

For those of legal drinking age, the loss of JM's Bar and Grill's liquor license was a huge letdown; however, many students found The Office, Dave's Taverna (formerly Gus's) and The Blue Foxx Cafe to be favorable alternatives. Thanks to locales like these, students such as senior Kim Baccari were not so heartbroken about JM's transformation. "I think that The Blue Foxx has a lot better atmosphere [than JM's] because you can have the social aspect of sitting at tables and talking or you can get up and dance," Baccari said.

Those looking for a good drink and a good meal often found themselves headed towards the Boston Beanery, Ruby Tuesday's or the infamous Spanky's. Chili's and J. Willoby's Roadhouse were the newest editions to Harrisonburg's array of casual, low-priced dining options. Senior Craig Sell enjoyed J. Willoby's with its peanut shell-covered floors because it had "real good food with a great selection of beer!"

Although restaurants and bars were favored by many students, others attended parties on Greek Row and off campus. Students such as junior Mike Mateli preferred off-campus parties to fraternity parties because "they are open to everyone, and you can always find people you know." Socialites who liked to dance the night away and meet new people in a less intimate setting favored The Row; however, with practically everything within walking distance, "party hopping" was common.

Some students opted to relax on the weekends. With its extra large sofas and mellow music, The Artful Dodger was a popular place to hang out and take in the atmosphere. According to junior Samarth Maheshwari, this coffeehouse is like "an oasis in this desert we call Harrisonburg." Whereas most entertainment in Harrisonburg has a small-town aura, Maheshwari said he likes the Artful Dodger for its "big city feel." Most students found similar attachments to the many nightlife activities.

*When it came to nightlife, students found their own "oasis in the desert of Harrisonburg."*

BY AUDRA FRAUNFELDER

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# V isiting US

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Despite the rainy weather, students and their parents enjoyed all of the activities planned for Parents Weekend. The Godwin Field Festival presented an array of merchandise for students and their parents to purchase. Freshman Nicole Sansini said she enjoyed browsing through everything the festival offered. "They had all sorts of thing like clothes and jewelry," Sansini said.

The football game at Bridgeforth Stadium on Saturday afternoon was also a popular event. Even the pouring rain did not dampen the crowd's spirit. That night, the School of Music presented the Pops Concert, which included the Symphony Orchestra, The Madisonians and the Jazz Ensemble, with guest artist Joe Kennedy, at the Convocation Center.

Many students gave their parents personalized tours of campus. Sophomore Kendra May said, "I showed my parents where I have classes and where I spend my time. They were really impressed by the new University Recreation Center."

Freshman Ryan Haynes also gave his family a tour of the campus. "It was my grandmother's first time here, so I showed them a little bit of everything," Haynes said. Haynes' family only spent the day on Saturday because the closest hotel they could find was an hour from campus.

Many organizations, fraternities and sororities invited parents to luncheons and activities. Sophomore Lisa D'Arcierno took her father and her brothers to her sorority, Delta Gamma. "We had a really great time at the luncheon, and I had fun introducing my dad to everyone," D'Arcierno said.

Students also took the opportunity to go shopping while their parents visited. Wal-Mart, along with the rest of the Valley Mall, was buzzing with families picking up those last few necessities for students' rooms and apartments.

Due to the influx of freshmen this year, an additional Parents Day was held Nov. 2, primarily for the parents of freshmen. Many freshman, however, saw this as an opportunity for their parents to visit twice during the semester.

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BY KATHY SELGAS





Molowski

**I**gnoring the falling rain, this student and her mother take advantage of Parents Weekend to reunite. Even with the rain, students were able to share their lives with parents once again.

**H**illside Hall welcomes the parents of its residents with this bright banner. Many halls decorated their buildings for parents, giving them a different look from move-in day.



Snyder



Daniel



Molowski

**R**eady and waiting with ponchos, coats and umbrellas, the Parents Weekend crowd endured heavy showers to enjoy the football game. Despite the rain that also decided to visit for the weekend, parents and students enjoyed their time together.

**S**howing how much she loves and misses her, freshman Eliza Copelan gives her mother a big hug. Being the first time for many to see their parents since school started, Parents Weekend often brought out true feelings.

**E**njoying their lunch at P.C. Dukes, this family takes the opportunity to be together again. Eating at Dukes and D-Hall as well as visiting other places gave parents a chance to see what being a JMU student was really like.



**F**lying high at the Kodak Sports Park, this is one of many skiers who trained at the Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid, NY. As an intern with the Olympic Authority, junior Shannon Ballard was housed at the center.



**D**ressed in their uniforms, sophomore Jenny Rogers and her dad set out for their jobs with United Airlines at Dulles Airport in Washington, D.C. Employed as a lobby agent, Rogers got a chance to meet a variety of people including many foreign Olympians.



**P**osing for a quick picture, Sherri Eisenberg, center, finishes her internship for the American Society of Magazine Editors. The closing ceremony was held at the Harvard Club in New York City.

**W**orking with the production crew for MTV News' *Unfiltered*, Karla Esleeck shows off their office. Located on Broadway Avenue, Esleeck was in the heart of the Big Apple.





# Gaining EXPERIENCE

Remember that age-old question "What did you do this summer?" that gets such reluctant and unenthusiastic student responses each year? At college, many upperclassmen love to talk about their summer experiences as interns. One of the most valuable parts of a college education, internships provide practical training, useful contacts and often unforgettable living experiences.

Getting an internship can be a source of stress for some students, but planning and persistence together with a little luck will often prove rewarding. Junior media writing major Shannon Ballard remembers, "When I contacted the Olympic Authority in Lake Placid, N.Y. and found out there were internships available, I sent them my qualifications and kept after them until I got an interview and eventually the internship."

Because it was an election year, some students looked into internships in government-related areas. Senior art major Evan Cantwell worked on Capitol Hill for part of the summer. Although a democrat, he worked under Republican Congressman Todd Tiahart of Kansas. Cantwell said that he worked for his opposing party "to get a basic idea of how things are run on that level of government."

Some lucky students stumbled across great internship opportunities. Senior Karla Esleek, an electronic media production major, sent her resume to the intern coordinator at MTV and went through several interviews. She spent the summer working in their production department on a new-format show called "Unfiltered." Between living in New York City, a learning experience in itself for the southern Virginian, and rubbing elbows with MTV personalities, she admits, "It was the best experience I could have had during my summer!"

The experiences gained through internships have proved invaluable for a number of students who have been able to line up jobs that will be waiting for them after graduation.

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BY SHANNON BALLARD AND  
RACHEL ROSWAL

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# Keeping IN STEP

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Imagine a JMU football game without the Marching Royal Dukes. You probably don't want to: their awesome sound and intricate marching maneuvers make the half-time presentation exciting and entertaining.

This year the Marching Royal Dukes performed to a series of thematic shows in celebration of their 25th anniversary. To observe this momentous event, the MRDs performed the music of Star Wars, The Sound of Music, JMU's Greatest Hits (a collection of the MRD's greatest hits), and selections from Independence Day, The Wiz and The Blues Brothers. When asked about this year's shows, drum major J.R. Snow said, "This year is a special year because all the shows are so dynamic. Being the 25th year, everything is so much fun and very exciting."

One of the largest groups on campus, the MRDs consisted of 388 individuals. Two years ago, Dr. Pat Rooney, director of the MRDs, decided to expand from 200 members to the current number because of increased enrollment at JMU. The band itself has a great reputation among college bands. "It's amazing how many students come to this school just for the band," Rooney said.

Although the marching band was such a large group, it still worked as a cohesive unit. Friendships evolved quickly as a result of the long practices before performances. Freshmen MRDs found that being part of the band enabled them to make friends at JMU before classes even started. "I feel that I've been able to meet a lot of different people through marching band," freshman Cory Prout said.

In addition to performing at home football games, the Marching Royal Dukes performed at the University of Delaware vs. JMU away game and the Mount Vernon High School Band competition for exhibition as well as for playoff games at the end of the season. Another highlight of the MRDs' season was Parade of Champions, a high school marching band competition held annually over Fall Break.

Freshman color guard member Cheryl Sule said, "If it wasn't for band, I wouldn't be here at JMU." It's no wonder people are anxious to be a part of this successful and entertaining group.

BY CAROLYN FRENCH





**A**ppearing during the Star Wars half-time show, this Storm Trooper seems to have come out of nowhere. The MRDs were known for surprises during their performances.

**L**eaded a MRD sectional practice, David Lambert and Mike Hershkowitz conduct the trombones. Sectional rehearsals were held in addition to regular band practices.



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*Cantwell*

**N**otorious for their unique personality, the tuba section lines up before a performance. They often led the crowd with traditional antics at football games, proving that good things don't always come in small packages.



*Cantwell*

**I**n front of a crowd of thousands, junior Carolyn French performs with the color guard. With different flags and unique props, the guard was an integral part of the MRDs' presentation.

**W**aiting for the football players to enter the stadium, the MRDs stand tall in Bridgeforth. The pre-game show was a greatly anticipated part of football games.

*Cantwell*

Gathering together for the last time as college students, seniors came out en masse to attend the all-day Pig Roast. Nearly 1,300 seniors attended.



Scanning the crowd from the shoulders of a friend, this student takes in her surroundings. The Pig Roast provided seniors with a chance to get together with old friends.



The Pig Roast, held on Godwin Field, featured two local bands. Manute Sol and Happy Van Gogh provided last year's live entertainment.

Waiting in line for a drink, these seniors search the crowd for their friends. The bands and beer trucks highlighted the afternoon.



Lane



Lane

# Pigging OUT

After four long years of quizzes, exams and papers, graduating seniors were ready to end their college careers in style. And for students aged 21-23, what better way to celebrate than with a party sponsored by the university?

Complete with free food and drink, well-known local bands and great weather, the Senior Pig Roast was one of the most talked-about events on campus.

"For years we've heard about the Pig Roast but I was never able to go," said Kelly Meyers. "It was definitely worth the wait. We had a great time."

Originally scheduled for Reading Day, the Pig Roast was rescheduled due to the make-up classes held that day and took place on the Saturday before finals instead. The change in dates didn't phase the students who were eager to enjoy their last few days of college.

"It could have been held on Reading Day and the turnout would have been the same," 1996 graduate Andy Lane said.

The Senior Pig Roast signified an end to a four- and, for some, five- year college career at JMU. The festivities began at 1 p.m. and lasted until 5 p.m. when students dispersed and moved on to smaller, more intimate parties to celebrate their final week as college students.

The rain clouds that had plagued the campus earlier in the week cleared out for the day, attracting even more students. Blankets and lawn chairs covered Godwin Field. The bands Manute Sol and Happy Van Gogh entertained the crowd of 1,200 that gathered on the grassy area. Admission to the Pig Roast was \$5 per person and the SGA raised a total of \$6,000 from the event.

"I almost didn't go, but I decided to at the last minute and it was one of the most fun times I've had in school. There were people there that I hadn't seen since freshman and sophomore years, people I'd forgotten about almost. It was so much more fun than I expected -- everyone was there."

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BY AMY KELLER AND  
SONAL DUTT

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# Kicking BACK

*As a popular spot for students to retreat to when they have some free time, the Quad's "a nice place to relax."*

Whether it was someone reading on a bench, sleeping on the grass or just biking through, students and faculty could always be found on the Quad. Why was this large, grassy area so popular? "It's a nice, quiet place to relax and study with few distractions," said freshman Lauren DePetrus, who often went to the Quad to escape chaotic dorm life.

For many students, the Quad offered a sense of serenity. From Kissing Rock to all the trees and benches scattered around, the Quad invited people to sit and collect their thoughts. "I can sit out here and read or do whatever I want and run into people. I love that it is so peaceful," said sophomore Maria Cocoros.

Not only was the Quad a great place to sit and loaf around, it was also the scene of a number of events throughout the year. During early fall and late spring, classes often met under the trees on Kissing Rock or at the foot of the steps to Wilson Hall. Before winter break, the Holiday Tree was displayed at the top of the Quad. The Quad was also a prime location for snowball fights in the winter and the Battle of the Bands in the spring.

During the storm on Sept. 6, students took advantage of the conditions on the Quad as they slid around wearing garbage bags in the rain.

The Quad was always a place for students to retreat when they had some free time. "It's nice being outside in the fresh air with trees all around," said sophomore Sara Methany. "It's pretty. I also enjoy watching people walk by, even if sometimes it's a little distracting."

Junior Sarah Whitney explained, "Being able to hang out on the Quad and enjoy the fun, social scene on a beautiful day is something I will always treasure."

Students weren't the only ones who appreciated what the Quad had to offer. Faculty and administration members were often seen eating lunch or grading papers around the Quad when the weather is favorable. Any time of year, the Quad served the community in all respects.

BY ELIZA COPELAN





*Cantwell*

Taking advantage of the great weather, some students put together a quick game of volleyball. On sunny days and weekends, football, Frisbee and even soccer games took place on the Quad.



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*Cantwell*

Enjoying her day off due to area flooding, this student slides down the muddy, flooded Quad in an inflatable tube. Even in the rain, the Quad provided students with a place to play and frolic.

Giving his students a break from the ordinary, this professor held class on Kissing Rock. On beautiful days, many teachers brought their classes outside despite the possible distractions.

Getting caught up on a little reading, this student uses the Quad's soft grass for his own purposes. Students could often be spotted resting or studying on the Quad between classes.

**T**he University Recreation Center provides students and faculty with a healthy environment for getting fit. UREC officially opened on Sept. 2, 1996 for student use while the grand opening was held during Homecoming weekend.



**T**his student works out on CYBEX equipment at UREC. The upstairs exercise room had televisions and music which made for a more enjoyable atmosphere.



**R**elaxing in the pool, students watch a late-night movie at UREC. The pool opened in late September and had free-swim hours seven days a week.

**S**trategically placed throughout UREC, Stairmasters and stationary bicycles overlook the main entrance. Such placement made exercising more peaceful.





Vilback



Vilback

# Working OUT

As the population of James Madison University continued to grow, so did the campus itself. One of this year's additions was the University Recreation Center, a 14,000-square-foot facility that replaced the Godwin Wellness Center in September.

Located on the new CISAT campus across Interstate 81, UREC officially opened its doors at 6:30 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 2. By 8 a.m., nearly 200 people had taken advantage of the new center.

Senior Tina Humbertson, one of the first students to work out on opening day, was impressed by the size of the building as well as the state-of-the-art equipment. "This is so much nicer than Godwin," she said. "More room, more machines, and the hours are great."

Humbertson was not alone in her praise of the new center which serves as the home of all JMU recreational programming including aerobics, intramurals, aquatics and outdoor adventure programs.

"I was skeptical at first since there was no gym on campus when school started," said junior Josh Lyons. "But now that it's open, I go almost everyday. I especially like the guest policy."

Under the UREC guest policy, students and faculty members could bring their spouses and immediate family, free of charge. Students also had the option of bringing friends for \$3.

In addition to the improved guest policy, students were also impressed with the cardio-fitness area as well as with the various levels of aerobics offered, the 25 meter x 25 yard swimming pool, the eight racquetball courts and the indoor track which overlooks the basketball court. UREC also offered water-aerobics classes once the pool opened; there were even movies presented in the pool area that students could watch while floating around in inflatable tubes.

Although some of the on-campus expansion caused distress for students and faculty, UREC was a welcome change that was eagerly anticipated and accepted by nearly the entire JMU community.

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BY AMY KELLER

# Creating UNITY

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Greek Week is an opportunity for the Greek community to come together as a whole to raise money for a Panhellenic-sponsored charity and have a great time doing it. This year the competitions ranged from boat races across Newman Lake to tug-of-war. These games gave each sorority and fraternity that participated a chance to show their spirit and enthusiasm. Although the groups were competing against one another, they all had the common goals of raising money for the Make-a-Wish Foundation and enjoying themselves in the process.

One of the most anticipated competitions of Greek Week was Greek Sing. Each participating sorority and fraternity performed a skit that consisted of lip-synching, singing and dancing. At the end of the night, a panel of judges chose Sigma Sigma Sigma as the top finishing sorority and Alpha Kappa Lambda as the first-place fraternity. Sophomore Julie Areglado said, "It was great to see what ideas everyone else had come up with and were working on all week. There were some really funny and creative performances."

Greek Week concluded on Greek Row with barbecues and bands sponsored by many of the fraternities that lived there. This event was enjoyed not only by the Greeks themselves, but by other students as well. "Greek Week was a chance for all of the sororities and fraternities to get together for a week and in one big group. Non-Greeks also got involved during the week, giving them a chance to see what Greek life is really like," said Sigma Alpha Epsilon members, James McLay and Brian Rudd.

After tallying up the week's points, the top winner for the sororities was Alpha Sigma Tau, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon acquired the most points for the fraternities. Although these two organizations were the overall winners of the week, each sorority and fraternity had its own victories, the greatest accomplishment being the unification of the Greek community to help raise money for the Make-a-Wish Foundation.

BY CARRIE McCABE





Fox

Trying out their self-made raft, these Chi Phi brothers make their way out into Newman Lake. Many fraternities and sororities also made their own rafts out of various material. The Newman Lake race was a favorite tradition of Greek Week.



Fox

Decked out in overalls and ponytails, this Delta Gamma sister does her best to maneuver the little tricycle we all once rode. As part of Greek Week, Delta Gamma took advantage of the Greek Sing to have some fun.



Fox

Showing off his handsome new 'do, this Greek led his fraternity in its part of Greek Sing, a talent show-type competition between fraternities and sororities. Each group made up its own acts and routines to songs.

Enjoying the opportunity for fun, these ΣΦΕ members take part in an intense game of foosball while others mingle and snack. With alumni returning, Greek Week gave everyone an excuse for eating and socializing.

**A**tracting passersby in front of D-Hall, Delta Sigma Theta raises money for a charity. Throughout the year, despite poor weather conditions, the Commons was a popular place for organizations to campaign for causes whether it was to raise money, advertise or have fun.



**C**ausing students to be late for classes or meetings and to lose their breath, the wooden stairs near Godwin and the frequent train passing through was often became unavoidable.



**W**ith their amusing antics, the tuba section of the marching band entertain themselves and spectators during a football game. The band's enthusiasm generated much excitement from the crowd for the team.

**A** few hours before Midnight Madness, Alex DerHovhannessian takes a breather from the student vs. faculty game. Students came out in the late hours on Monday, Oct. 14 to commemorate the beginning of the basketball season.



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# Being A DUKE

What do trains, rains and automobiles have in common? All three, among other things, are characteristic of JMU. Our school has come a long way since the annual crowning of the May Queen and her court in 1908. Whether getting drenched with sudden rains from sunny skies, hanging out on the Quad or partying on the Row, students soon learned what being a Duke really meant.

All students were stuck at some point, waiting for the train to pass so they could cross over the tracks. Once the wait was over, the endless trek up the stairs began. The train passing through campus and the infamous flight of wooden stairs are just some of the characteristics that set JMU apart from other universities.

Aside from architectural characteristics, there were a number of traditions and events that kept students feeling at home during their years at JMU. Midnight Madness, which took place on Oct. 14, 1996, celebrated the 25th season of the event which coach "Lefty" Driesel originated at the University of Maryland. Students as well as faculty members helped kick off the 1996-1997 basketball season for the Dukes. Midnight Madness was held at the Convocation Center, and the first 200 fans to show up received free T-shirts commemorating the event.

From hiking on Skyline Drive to attending concerts at the Convo, students found numerous ways to identify themselves with JMU. The Marching Royal Dukes provided a sense of tradition at football games with their well-known cheers and the tuba section's crazy antics on the sidelines. Duke Dog played along with the MRDs throughout the games.

Besides sporting events at Bridgeforth and the Convo, many groups made themselves known to the JMU community by holding fund-raisers and promotions on the Commons. Greeks and organizations handed out flyers and pamphlets to passersby and raised money with themes from "Ugliest on Campus," a charity sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega for the Make-a-Wish Foundation, to Camp Heartland raising funds for children with AIDS.

"The Ugliest on Campus fund-raiser is a way for the whole community to get involved and have fun while still helping a program as important as the Make-a-Wish Foundation," said senior Heather Griffiths, the fundraising chairperson for Alpha Phi Omega.

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BY RACHEL ROSWAL AND  
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# Remembering WHEN

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*With parking lots filled and hotel signs reading "No Vacancy," Homecoming spirit traveled throughout the city and campus.*

Alumni flocked back to the 'Burg on Oct. 4 and 5 for Homecoming festivities. The preceding week was filled with preliminary events to prepare the JMU community for the weekend. Because Homecoming is such a popular annual event at JMU, the parking lots filled quickly and hotel signs all over read "No Vacancy" as the spirit traveled throughout campus.

The weekend began on Thursday, Oct. 3 with MasterCard ACTS, a competitive student talent show sponsored by MasterCard and the University Program Board. Nationally renowned comedian and actor Gerald Kelly hosted the event in Wilson Hall. Sons of Icarus beat out nine other hands to win the competition. Sophomore Megan Murphy said, "I thought they really deserved to win. They had the most experience and competed like old pros."

A Tribe Called Quest performed for an enthusiastic crowd of students and alumni at the Convocation Center Friday night. The concert was brought to JMU by the University Program Board and the Center for Multicultural Student Services.

Saturday's events opened with the Field Festival at Godwin Field, where alumni could catch up with former classmates and students could enjoy the festivities in the beautiful weather. The University of Maine felt the heat at JMU as the Dukes defeated their football team 31-7. Freshman Carrie Reynolds said, "The alumni were having a great time around me. I went to the game with my friends and had a great time. We were so happy that the Dukes won and enjoyed the band too." The Marching Royal Dukes stole the show, performing music both at halftime and in a post-game performance.

For those who were still in the mood to celebrate, the Step Show, sponsored by the Black Greek Caucus and the Center for Multicultural Student Services, took place Saturday night at the Convocation Center.

Homecoming weekend drew to a sentimental close as visitors and alumni filtered out of Harrisonburg after reliving an autumn weekend at their alma matter.

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BY MEG VORTHMAN

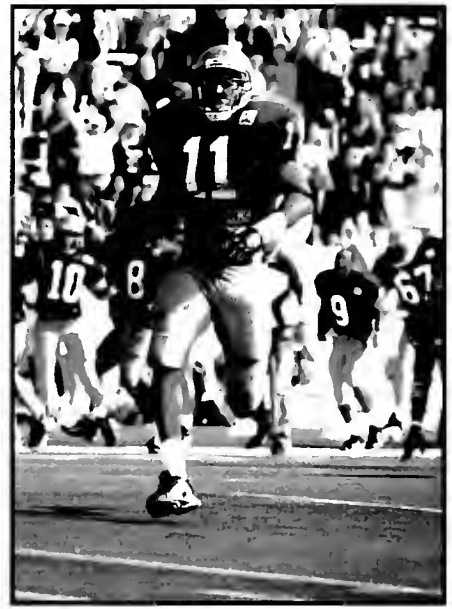






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**W**arming his paws at the Homecoming Bonfire, Duke Dog danced his way into the hearts of students and alumni. In his purple and gold crown and cape, Duke Dog portrays spirit and nobility.



*Cartwright*

**H**eaded for the end zone, linebacker Tony Jordan carries the ball for the touchdown while fans cheer in the background. Jordan, a senior, missed the 1994 season with a shoulder injury.

**A** social hub at any time, Greek Row turns into a 24-hour-a-day party during Homecoming weekend. Gathered behind Lambda Chi Alpha, two friends shared a few drinks and laughs.



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**C**heering the Dukes on, these devoted fans painted purple and gold were ready for a victory against the University of Maine. The Dukes came away with a 31-7 win in front of the huge crowd of current and former students.



Step Show participants perform for an audience of students and alumni. Presented by the Black Greek Councils and the Center for Multicultural Student Services, the Step Show was a popular event at Homecoming.



**A**ccepting their titles as Mr. and Ms. Madison, John-Michael Knowles and Carrie Owen are congratulated by Dr. and Mrs. Carrier. The winners were announced during the pre-game festivities.

**O**ld friends catch up and socialize on Greek Row. The Row was a hot spot for alumni to revisit their fraternities and sororities during the 1996 Homecoming weekend.

## Remembering WHEN

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**D**ukes come in all sizes! This future Duke celebrates Homecoming with these alumni. "Back to the 'Burg" festivities included activities for all ages.

**W**elcoming home JMU alumni, residence halls and student organizations created banners to be hung from Godwin Hall. The winner of the best banner was announced at the football game.

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**A** walking trend, freshman Kevin Meehan displays a variety of 1996 trends in his everyday appearance. Hats, sunglasses, lighters and FYI keychains were seen in abundance this year.

**D**uring move-in day, Carrie McCabe takes a break from the normal labor. Greek letters were common on T-shirts and accessories for sorority sisters and fraternity brothers.

**S**porting shades, flannel, bellbottoms, dyed hair and leather bags, Tim Baskerville, Eliza Copelan and Rachael Wood show off the current styles and trends. JMU's grounds flourished with fashion.



**W**ith his streaked hair and trendy eyebrow ring, this student demonstrates the latest fashions. Body piercing and tattoos are two recent trends that have continued to remain popular.

**K**nown for their laid-back appearances and personalities, JMU students also know the importance of professionalism. Social, academic and service organizations sometimes required students to dress up.





# Looking GOOD

Donna Karan and Calvin Klein may streak the runways in New York and Paris, but they don't do big business in the 'Burg. Fashions here aren't about designer wear or conformity; they're about comfort and looking good.

After four years of high school, everyone has memorized the dos and don'ts of fashion, and students all know that trends stick around for a while, die out and return a few years later. But keeping up with the latest styles in college is based on individual taste.

Sophomore Nate McMichael said, "JMU has changed a lot the past couple of years. The more you look around, the more individual people you see."

From silky crop tops to plaid flannels, from short skirts with knee-high tights to corduroy overalls, from muscle T-shirts to band-collared dress shirts, the fabrics and colors of JMU's walkways are constantly changing.

"This year's gotten more conservative than last year, which was more retro," junior Glennon Doyle said. A fashion merchandising minor, Doyle said, "JMU has a lot of diversity as opposed to the University of Virginia where every girl wears a sundress."

Sophomore Joanne Garofala disagreed. "Everyone conforms here; you definitely see J. Crew styles on both men and women."

Although Harrisonburg doesn't have as many shopping options as larger cities, Valley Mall is a popular place to pick up necessary attire. Whether it's a new pair of shoes, silky boxers or an outfit for Friday night's party, fashions are available to searching students.

The clothing industry, however, definitely caters to women. Dr. Ruth Shelton, professor of marketing, said, "Women have a very keen interest in clothing. Men do too, but women spend more."

McMichael expressed a similar opinion. "My friends and I couldn't care less about fashion," he said. "JMU students aren't preppy, just casual."

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BY ANGIE KRUM

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# Changing TIMES

*In an effort to improve student life, the theme of the year seemed to be "out with the old and in with the new."*

In addition to the freshman class that included a record number of new students, on-campus housing filled up quickly, and some students found themselves living in Howard Johnson's across Port Republic Road and in Denton's in downtown Harrisonburg. Freshman Ryan Brown said, "At first I was worried about living in a hotel, but it's actually been a lot of fun. I'd much rather live there than in an on-campus dorm."

The new flow of students also hastened the construction of a new residence hall next to the ISAT building and led to the elimination of campus P.O. boxes for off-campus students, a change that was unwelcome by most.

A number of general changes were made to improve on-campus living, including the return of Amigo's and the addition of Market One, which added more variety to the dining choices available to students.

Construction of the University Recreation Center across Interstate 81 was a main topic for the fall. Many students considered the new facility nice enough to be a country club, but without the inconvenience of an expensive membership: all students were admitted at no charge with the presentation of their JAC cards.

Instead of tying up the VAX lines, students were able to access their mail directly through Simeon, a new system that was installed over the summer. At first many students had trouble adjusting to the new system, but it was a definite improvement over last year's overcrowded system.

The removal of the crosswalk across South Main Street to Anthony-Seeger Hall was one of the more controversial changes on campus. Sophomores Kari Hoy and Erica Crane didn't understand why the crosswalk was removed. "We don't know why they wasted the time and money to take it down. People are still crossing where it used to be anyway."

Each new year inevitably brings changes with the intent to improve the campus environment. In an effort to improve the quality of student life, the theme of fall semester seemed to be "out with the old and in with the new."

BY CARRIE McCABE







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**I**n an effort to improve the campus's convenience, Mister Chips underwent extensive construction and renovation. The expansion provided students with more options for their shopping needs.



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**O**ne of the biggest changes was the emergence of the CISAT campus across I-81. Upon completion, the new campus will include residence halls, academic buildings and a dining facility.

**A**s a result of overcrowding, many freshmen were housed in Howard Johnson's on Port Republic Road. With double beds and nearby parking, Hojo's became the focus of much envy.

**F**or SMAD and SCOM students, among many others, the removal of the Anthony-Seeger crosswalk was a controversial issue. Most students rebelled by crossing between intersections anyway.

**W**ith their spirit and pride displayed on their chests, these students enjoy a Dukes football victory. The athletic events gave students a chance to come together and support the teams.

**S**topping to chat with Duke Dog, these students enjoy all there is to a JMU football game. The first few games of the season took advantage of the fall nights while later games were in the afternoon.



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**D**isplaying pride for all to see, this driver's vanity plate professes loyalty to two of Virginia's best universities. Students showed their school spirit not only on license plates but also sweatshirts, car stickers, cups and other items.



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**I**n keeping with tradition, skydivers touch down at the 50-yard line during the half-time show of the first home game. Although JMU only has 88 years of history, traditions such as this have become standard.

**K**eeping the crowd's spirits high, the cheerleading squad shows its support for the Dukes. An integral part of the athletic support system, the cheerleaders entertained the crowds with stunts and cheers.



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# Cheering FANS

School spirit seems to be everywhere. Walking through campus, it is easy to find students wearing hats, sweatshirts and T-shirts proudly supporting the Dukes. Sophomore Reshma Shetty loves walking through campus. "My favorite place is right in front of Wilson Hall. There is just a feeling I get of pride and happiness."

As an orientation assistant, sophomore Kate Springer enjoyed watching the incoming freshmen interact with one another. "Their JMU spirit was building even before they truly began their lives here on campus," she said. But enthusiasm doesn't disappear after freshman year. Sophomore Denise Seipel noticed that spirit is evident even in the flower gardens. "We are all surrounded by purple and gold. It's even in the flowers!"

Attending sporting events was a primary evening and weekend activity. Sherry Montgomery said, "When I go to the football games, I can feel the spirit in the air. Some people wear hats to show their school spirit while others paint their bodies in purple and gold."

In addition to the competitive spirit of the athletes, the Dukettes, cheerleaders, Marching Royal Dukes and pep band all generated enthusiasm from the fans. Duke Dog's wild antics also helped to psyche up the crowd. "It's hard not to be happy when an oversized dog comes running up to you and smothers you in a huge hug," junior Nicole Steffey said about Duke Dog. Steffey added that Duke Dog seems to bring out the child in all of us.

Having such an energized mascot held everyone's attention at games. "Duke Dog is hilarious. He really gets the crowd into the game and keeps them involved," freshman Jeff Morris said.

Everyone appreciated JMU for different reasons. "The spirit here is something almost indescribable," said sophomore Jessica Cole. She said that she loves absolutely everything about JMU. "School spirit is something different to everyone, and I think that's why it's so special."

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BY KATHY SELGAS

# Finding INSPIRATION

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Can God be found on a college campus? Campus religious groups have made names for themselves at JMU through weekly meetings, prayer sessions, peer groups, seminars and worship services. From the Baptist Student Union to InterVarsity to the Muslim Coalition, faith is a fact of life at JMU.

Senior Dave Grulke said, "I think religion is pretty open in the sense that it's not difficult to worship on campus or practice through organizations like CCM or Presbyterian Campus Ministry."

Although Grulke, like most students, doesn't feel threatened by others' religious beliefs, many students believe the diversity at JMU could be better.

May 1996 graduate Amy Pell said she went to a couple of different meetings during her four years at JMU and also took part in classroom discussions about religion. "The atmosphere in class isn't like, 'You have to believe this;' it's more about, 'This is what I believe,'" she said.

Senior Rachel Lark had a contradictory experience in a philosophy class. "I used the Bible to back up my argument, and the class went off on me," she said.

Although there isn't too much debate in Dr. Grace Burford's Religion 101 class, she said college students are definitely challenged. "Students should keep an open mind because discussions can go too far either way," she said. "It's all about balance."

Religion and philosophy classes are part of the core curriculum for JMU's general education requirements. Freshman Allison Williams said she thinks it's a good idea because "you get another viewpoint." Some students, however, think a religion course should be an option rather than a requirement. Junior Mark Sawyer said, "Religion shouldn't be required because we live in America; it goes against our principles."

Whether or not religion is part of every student's personal life, campus religious groups at JMU are heard, and faith does make a statement. As Dr. Burford said, "Students take religion seriously."

BY ANGIE KRUM



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**P**articipating in an archaeological dig in the Philistines, these students explore Israel with the Department of Philosophy and Religion. Many people's faiths took them to foreign countries to learn more about their beliefs.

**G**ooing off, Michelle Moyer, Mary Byrd, Kate Schwabe and Christina Emerson have fun at InterVarsity's year-end retreat. Members spent a week training for leadership positions and exploring their faiths.



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Emerson



Daniel



Melrose

**T**aking the stage in Wilson Hall, this student performs with the Contemporary Gospel Singers for Parents' Weekend. For a few of the numbers, parents were also invited to join in and sing.

**P**erforming in the Catholic Campus Ministry Talent Show, Ryan Whittier and Remi Lew express their faith through song. Many students found the campus ministries were a great outlet for their beliefs.

**C**ontroversial evangelist Brother Jim made a few appearances during the academic year. Besides evoking much emotional response from passersby, he sparked animated discussions and debates from the community.

This student sculpts outside the Harrison Hall art studio. Hands-on work was a major part of the requirements for art majors.



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Openings at Zirkle House were big events, especially for students with shows there. Located on South Main Street, Zirkle House was easily accessible.



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This student looks at exhibits in Sawhill Gallery. The displays changed on a regular basis, and attracted students from all colleges and departments.



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Looking at a display in Zirkle House, this student inspects the exhibit. Zirkle House gave students the opportunity to display their work on a professional level.





# Emerging TALENT

Walking down South Main Street, many people do not notice the little white house that sits a few buildings away from Anthony-Seeger Hall. Those who have been there realize that it is a place like no other on the campus. Zirkle House consists of several galleries which display student artwork. There are three main galleries: The Artworks Gallery, The Other Gallery and The New Image Gallery. This year the first two galleries consisted of student paintings and sculptures, while The New Image Gallery displayed the photography of visiting scholars.

Anyone interested in showing art work had to go through a review process at the end of a semester. A student committee evaluated the work and decided whether or not artists would have their work shown. Fred Struckholtz said, "I was rejected after my first review process, but then I got a show after my second. I think that they look for uniform, consistent work which carries a main theme. My second samples seem to be more of what they were looking for."

An opportunity for students to direct and organize Zirkle House was available every semester. Student director Jessica Brunow said, "It's a two-semester commitment. A person has to be the assistant director for a semester, which earns two credits, and then the assistant director moves up to the director position for the following semester, which earns three credits."

The shows lasted for two weeks and were open for anyone to come in and look around. One show featured papermakings by Michelle Benedict, who said, "I especially liked this show on papermaking because it was hands on. People can look at it, and it is also tactile. I also like for people to get what they can out of my art without my telling them too much, and I think papermaking gives them the chance to make their own conclusions."

Brunow said, "When we choose the art we show, we look at what will show well together and often get interesting results." The "results" kept students returning to Zirkle House to discover the talents of JMU's artists.

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BY ELIZA COPELAN

# Opening MINDS

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Giving students a chance to explore other cultures as well as their own, many clubs on campus enjoyed a year of great success. Not only did four separate clubs come together for a joint multicultural event, but many of the clubs held their own programs to help the community become more aware of diversity.

Taking place on Saturday, Oct. 26 in the P.C. Ballroom, the World Jam was a DJ dance organized by the Indian Pakistani Student Association, the International Students Association, Club Latino and the Asian American Association. Parul Shah, a representative of Indian/Pakistani Student Association, said, "It was a place where people could have a good time without having to worry about race."

International Students Association gave international students an opportunity to get together with people from their own countries and helped them to adapt to their new one. Members participated in Toys for Tots, volunteered at a nursing home and adopted families for Christmas. Annakarin Kullman, an immigrant from Sweden, said, "ISA helps build a bridge for these students from all over the world so that they can feel more comfortable as well as have fun."

The Romanian Club, founded by Sandy Wright, also participated in a number of events such as hiking trips, visiting the embassy in Washington, D.C. and holding a dance. The club hosted many professors from the Romanian American University and developed a World Wide Web page to publicize the club and increase membership in the coming years.

Even though it was only its second year, Club Latino accomplished many goals. Through the College Partnership Program they adopted a high school and brought the seniors to JMU for a day, giving them a taste of college life. They also participated in tutoring, translating and a Big Brother-Big Sister program. Club leader Chris Diaz said, "Club Latino is for everybody, Hispanic or not. All you need to have is an open mind and a willingness to learn new things."

Started this year by Pamela Kraljevich, the Italian Club organized a dance as well as dinners that followed in the Italian tradition. A trip to a local vineyard operated in Italian tradition was one of the year's highlights.

BY LISA ROSATO





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**E**njoying a specially prepared dinner during Passover, members of B'nai B'rith Hillel were glad to find a place to practice their religion and meet other Jewish students. The group participated in a variety of activities including holiday celebrations.

**S**howing the T-shirts and pins they received, members of the Romanian Club welcome the visiting professors from the Romanian-American University. The club had an ongoing relationship with RAU and visited them in Bucharest in May.



Wright



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**M**embers of the Asian American Association take a little break after the initial rush of customers at the concession stand at a basketball game. Campus organizations could sign up to run the concession stand to raise money for their group.

**P**erforming for a minority recruitment program, members of the Indian/Pakistani Student Association share a bit of their talent and culture with prospective JMU students. The program, sponsored by the Students for Minority Outreach, involved many cultural groups.



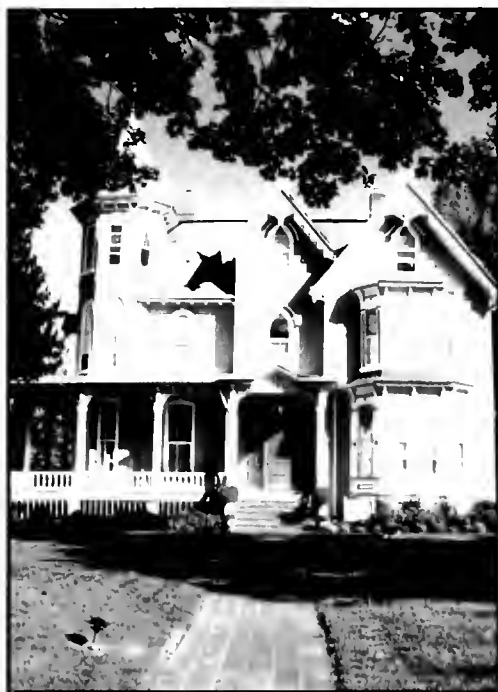
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**S**porting their T-shirts with the motto of "Together We Stand," these students run an information table for the Students for Minority Outreach during "Take a Look Day." The day was one of SMO's many ways to recruit prospective students.



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**S**eniors James Yeom and Colin Robinson enjoy a fall afternoon on their front porch of their South Main Street house. Upperclassmen sometimes chose to move into unique houses in the community rather than apartment complexes.



**L**ocated in downtown Harrisonburg, the Joshua Wilton House is a student favorite for formals and special events. The cafe and restaurant it housed offered a change from the other dining options.



**O**n Main Street, the Gingerbread House is just one of many houses in the community that is occupied by students. Just across the street from the main campus, the house was ideally situated for students.

**K**nown as the Spaghetti House, this house on South High Street was home to several members of the WXJM staff. As the university's population has increased, more and more students have moved into the community.





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# Living IN STYLE

"Home is where the heart is!" Many students followed their hearts when they made the decision to live in a house. Houses provided students not only with shelter, but also a place to call their own and share among friends. Each house took on the characteristics of its owners, and together they made it through events from stormy weather to raging parties.

Finding an affordable and convenient place to reside during the school year can be difficult. A house is an affordable option, allows a large number of people to room together and is often located near campus. Instead of being cramped up in a residence hall or apartment, most houses gave students more space. Houses also provided students with a greater feeling of freedom regarding guidelines for decoration and noise.

To make a house unique many students chose to name the house in which they resided. Traditional residences include the Graffiti, Punk, Funk, Gingerbread, Out, Welcome, Tree, Green and Spaghetti houses as well as those belonging to Greeks. Because each original name is instantly recognized around campus, these houses are easy to find. Students often went to these houses to hang out with friends, have a good time and just chill. Junior Mike Thomas said, "I really like living in a house that's in a neighborhood with other students, because we can hang out and still be independent." Thomas lived in a house with friends on West Market Street in Harrisonburg.

Some houses are located closer to campus than Thomas's. The Graffiti House is located on the corner of Cantrell Avenue and Ott Street and sits above a wall with a huge, colorful mural. Last year the mural included scenes from the history of Harrisonburg and JMU. Recently repainted, it now depicts a beautiful, abstract floral pattern.

Home to members of WXJM is the Spaghetti House. It is considered one of the oldest named houses near campus. This year many traditional houses were lost as JMU evolved and began to take on a new personality, but the Spaghetti House was not one of them.

Block parties were often found near the Punk House where many students went to hear live music. As new editions to the list, these houses have become popular among students.

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BY WENDY CROCKER

# Showing NO FEAR

*Skydiving was "five minutes of the best high I have ever felt."*

For adventurous students, there is a world out there which is beyond the imagination, and it is not much further than Harrisonburg. There is skydiving, paintball, hiking and the Shenandoah Caverns. Each of these daredevil activities offers a different aspect of living life on the edge.

Skydiving is performed at the Louisa County Airport, about an hour and fifteen minutes away, by Skydive Virginia. They offers "an opportunity to experience your own 'freefall fantasy.'" They offer several different programs for anyone over the age of eighteen. Skydive Virginia teaches those with adventurous spirits to "extend their wings and experience the 'ultimate natural high.'" Junior Steve Voss explains his skydiving experience as "five minutes of the best high I have ever felt."

Another activity for courageous students is paintball. Pointblank Paintball is located in Harrisonburg. Paintball is a game which challenges the imagination, it stresses "teamwork, planning and good humored competition." Students equipped in their safety goggles, facemasks and coveralls were well protected from the paint-filled capsules fired at them by their opponents. Paintball can be played over and over again, each time creating new games and rules.

Hiking is another popular adventure for college students. Around the Shenandoah Valley there are numerous places to hike. Sophomore Dana Berle said, "Skyline Drive is a great place to get into nature and forget about the stresses of school. I like hiking there as a way to relax for a short time, especially near the waterfalls."

There are many places for the boldest of students to release their adventurous energy. Each of these places and adventures offers a variety of activities corresponding to one's fearlessness and affordability. Each place offers a different experience and, although the prices vary, can one really put a price on a great adventure?

BY ELIZA COPELAN





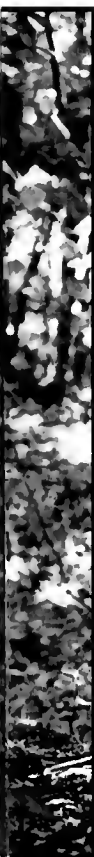


**S**kydiving in Orange, Va., these students have a real taste for adventure. Organizations often took weekend and day-trips to enjoy and take advantage of the Virginia landscape.



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**T**aking a break from their hike, Dana Berle and Lauren Bronich enjoy the peaceful scenery on Skyline Drive. Only a short distance from campus, Skyline Drive was a popular place for groups and organizations to hike on the weekends.

**P**reparing for attack, this paintballer waits for the enemy to approach. The Outing Club took a number of adventurous trips all over the Shenandoah Valley and neighboring regions.

**A**tending a retreat at Camp Overlook, members of Campus Crusade for Christ unload their cars as they arrive. Whether it was with a group or with friends, outdoor activities were a great past time in the fall and spring.

**K**icking back under the colorful trees on the Quad, Desmond and Derrick Wilson take in the sights of fall. The orange, brown and red leaves decorated the entire campus from September through early December.

**U**sing the beautiful spring weather to their advantage, these students help a groundskeeper plant some tulips and greenery. The award-winning landscaping around campus was constantly cared for and updated.



**J**umping into Newman Lake, this student's dog found his own way to cool off in the summer's heat. While the hot weather lasted only a while during the school year, summer students got the benefit of air conditioning.



**A** blanket of snow covers the campus, bringing classes to a halt and letting fun overrule. The white stuff came as early as mid-November this year; however, the winter turned out relatively mild.



**R**unning over its banks, the stream that meanders through campus flooded early this fall due to Hurricane Fran. The brown waters not only caused a great deal of damage but also caused the school to close for the day.





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# Changing COLORS

As the academic year passed, students encountered the many contrasts of seasons in the Shenandoah Valley. Whether it was living through the heat of the summer or trying to remain healthy despite the bitter cold of winter, the weather had a great deal of control over each day's happenings.

Many activities on campus took place during the scorching summer days. Orientation assistants and other summer staff members braved the hot weather while preparing freshmen and transfer students for their approaching years at college. Summer session students were fortunate enough to be housed in air-conditioned residence halls which provided some relief from the heat.

When students arrived in late August, the summer heat was still in full blaze. Move-in days were complicated by the warm temperatures, and, as most residence halls were not equipped with air-conditioning, residents of Wampler and the Hillside Halls became the objects of much envy. In mid-September, the campus became a water ride during the flood that resulted from Hurricane Fran. While everyone was excited that classes were canceled due to the sudden natural disaster, many students were troubled with damage done to their cars or houses. The flooding was inconvenient for many who needed to get places, but students also spent time splashing in the deep puddles.

The cool winds of the fall also brought forth a new view of the campus. The tree-lined Quad burst into shades of bright orange, red and yellow, and fallen leaves decorated the ground. Gone were the full green leaves of summer and spring. In November, students piled on layers of clothing for the frigid temperatures and early snowfalls, while a few days later, temperatures rose back into the mid-seventies.

While Harrisonburg became a winter wonderland several times throughout November, December and January, the season remained relatively mild. Freshman Tom Opfer said, "After the Blizzard of 1996, it was disappointing that we had only a few snowfalls.

Enjoying the carefree days of summer and the chilly nights of winter, students were given a taste of every season.

*The tree-lined Quad burst into shades of bright orange, red, and yellow.*

BY JEFF MORRIS

# Thinking BIG

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With a whirlwind of events, some planned, some quite spontaneous, the 1996-97 school year was definitely one to remember.

One of the most anticipated events of the year, the Summer Olympics in Atlanta, Ga., left the world stunned by its triumphs and tragedies. The excitement of the American women's gymnastics team capturing its first gold medal and decathlete Dan O'Brien finally winning his much-anticipated gold were overshadowed only by the bombing in Centennial Olympic Park, which claimed a life and shook the nation.

Junior Julie Diaz, an Atlanta native, remembered the games. "It was really scary to think someone would plant a bomb when so many people were around. For a few days, some people stayed in, but after a while everyone tried to get over it and continue on with the events."

While the summer was winding down, the 1996 presidential election was just getting under way. The Republican party nominated former-Kansas senator Robert J. Dole, and the Democrats again requested the services of incumbent Bill Clinton. Reform Party candidate Ross Perot couldn't seem to stay away from the action, but his share of the vote in 1996 was minimal to his showing in the 1992 election. After a hard media battle with Dole, Clinton won and began his second term as president.

Around the same time as the election, World AIDS Day was held, to remember the victims of the yet-incurable disease and boost funds for research.

Senior Parul Shah attended the activities in Washington, D.C. "It was really a moving experience...it was great to see so many people care, and I think the event really raised awareness."

As the century began to wind down and society began to brace itself for the future, many events characterized changes around the world. The members of the JMU student body, however, could only brace themselves for what the future held.

BY SIMONE FIGULA





*Austin*

**D**uring his campaign for the 1996 presidential election, President Bill Clinton speaks at a campaign rally in Springfield, Virginia. The re-election of Clinton marked the first time a democratic president was re-elected since Franklin Delano Roosevelt.



*Cunningham*

**F**or fall break, over thirty College Republicans worked at Bob Dole's national headquarters in Washington, D.C. Much to the chagrin of the secret service, Nathaniel Moran got onto the elevator with Dole.



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**T**he United States volleyball team prepares for a match at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, Georgia. The United States hadn't hosted this world-wide event since the 1984 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles, California.

**C**ollege Republicans Jason Redding and Markus Krauss pose as a GOP elephant and Bill Clinton on the day of the mock election on campus. The majority of voters selected for Dole as our next President in the mock election.

**T**housands of people went to Washington, D.C. to see the AIDS quilt for the last time early this fall. The quilt, spanning the entire length of the mall, memorialized people from all over the world who have died from AIDS.









## Rocking THE HOUSE

*"It's great to see the bands you listen to perform live. The diversity JMU brings is great. I have seen Coolio, Patty Loveless and Rusted Root all at the Convo. Now that's variety."*

**C**lockwise, from top left: Lone Star, Patty Loveless, Coolio, A Tribe Called Quest, George Clinton and Ani DiFranco.



# Rocking THE HOUSE

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During a year full of on-stage entertainment from country to funk to pop music, students had a number of opportunities to attend concerts on campus. Among the most talked-about performers who came to JMU were A Tribe Called Quest, Patty Loveless and Lone Star, Ani DiFranco and Rusted Root. Concerts were arranged and presented by organizations such as the University Program Board, the Center for Multicultural Student Services and WXJM according to who students expressed an interest in seeing.

Country music fans enjoyed the sounds of Patty Loveless and opening band Lone Star, who performed at the Convocation Center on Nov. 17. "Patty Loveless continued her tradition as one of the leading ladies of country music," sophomore Laura Thacher said. "She kept the audience on its feet during the fast songs and showed her sincerity through her slow songs."

Other types of music were also featured over the course of the year. That same weekend, Ani DiFranco played for an excited crowd in Wilson Hall for WXJM's first sold-out concert. When asked for her opinion of the concert, junior Marycatherine Smith quoted one of DiFranco's songs and said, "I am 32 flavors and then some — that's all I have to say." DiFranco has recently been featured in *SPIN* and *Rolling Stone*.

One of the year's biggest events came to the Convo on Jan. 20 when Rusted Root provided a sold-out performance. Senior Kristin Wahrheit said, "During 'Send Me On My Way' there was a point where the whole place was alive; everyone was dancing and it was incredible. It was unforgettable."

Returning to his tour bus after the performance, Rusted Root vocalist Michael Glabicki described the crowd as "enthused" and said that although the band has a different favorite song for each performance, the group's pick for the evening was "Lost In a Crowd."

Glabicki added that there were some points at which he felt the crowd was a little too excited. Wahrheit agreed and said, "I loved that they [Rusted Root] told the crowd not to body surf. It makes me nervous that someone is going to fall."

BY RACHEL ROSWAL





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**B**assist Patrick Norman keeps the music going as the crowd cheers on. The variety in Rusted Root's selections provided refreshing entertainment for the diverse and excited audience.

**K**eeping the crowd under control, ROTC members patrolled the stage area. Aside from a few body surfers, the audience on the floor was relatively cooperative and caused few problems.

**C**oming all the way from Pittsburgh, Rusted Root played to a sold-out crowd on Jan. 20, 1997. The Convocation Center was packed with excited fans in an enthusiastic atmosphere.

**T**aking the stage, vocalist Liz Berlin enjoys the spotlight. All six members of Rusted Root were featured throughout the show on a number of different instruments.

# Celebrating EARLY

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The turning of the leaves and the chill in the air indicate the beginning of autumn for many people. For sports fans, however, the changing season signifies the beginning of football season. Although some enjoyed watching the game from the comfort of their own recliner, many took advantage of the season to enjoy the good weather and the company of friends in a pre-game celebration. Tailgating became a ritual as associated with football as hot dogs and cheerleaders.

"It is a lot of fun to hang out with your friends before the game actually starts," said sophomore Jessica Dowdy. "Sometimes the tailgate is more fun than the actual game."

Homecoming and Parents Weekends brought out the largest crowds for tailgating. Tables, grills and food covered the fields adjacent to the stadium. Purple and gold banners displaying spirit and support flew from every car passing though campus.

"I always look forward to Homecoming because it gives me a chance to catch up with my friends who have graduated," said junior Amy Springfloat. "And what better place to do that than at a tailgate?"

Despite rain clouds hovering over campus during Parents Weekend, faithful Dukes fans still managed to enjoy themselves. The Godwin Fieldfest, the largest tailgate party in the Valley, offered live music, food and company for those die-hard tailgaters.

"I really enjoyed showing my parents around campus and taking them to the Fieldfest," said freshman Jeff Morris. "We had a lot of fun together."

The sun shone brightly on alumni and students out on Homecoming weekend, coaxing even more people outside to enjoy the weather and company.

"The car was jamming and there were people all over campus just enjoying the weekend and each other's company," said senior Amy Feezor.

No matter the weather or the projected outcome of the game, devoted fans made their support known through their enthusiasm not only during but also before the game.

BY SONAL DUTT





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*Williams*

**H**anson Field served as a primary tailgating spot during Homecoming, with barely enough room for people to walk between the cars. Parking was a challenge on Homecoming Weekend.

**W**ith enough food to feed all their friends, these fans show up early to get a good spot on the Hanson Field. Tailgating has become a tradition over the years not only at Homecoming, but always.

**R**eminiscing about old times, alumni enjoy time together before the football game. Former students packed into Bridgeforth Stadium to watch the Dukes take on the University of Maine on Homecoming.

**T**ailgating isn't just for Homecoming, as proven by two Dukes fans who anticipate a regular-season game. Pre-game celebrations took place before all home games.

**H**anging out at Spanky's, Ann Olson, Jon Ischinger and Val Ischinger enjoy their evening. Spanky's was a popular weekend destination.



**T**own Hall, located in the heart of Harrisonburg, is a well-known landmark. "The Friendly City" is known for its scenic downtown and friendly residents.



**J**uniors Erin Dodger, Megan Laver and Christina Neill take advantage of a quiet moment at the Artful Dodger. The Artful Dodger was a popular place for students to wind down.

**K**nown for its wide variety of new and used CDs, posters and clothing, Town & Campus Records is located downtown. Concert tickets were also often available there.





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# Braving THE 'BURG

Many JMU students do not realize that the city of Harrisonburg is filled with unique locales and hidden nooks that complement JMU. However, with a little searching and disposing of stereotypes, students found a whole other world outside of JMU's walls.

Reddish Knob is less than an hour outside of Harrisonburg. Not only is the view spectacular there, but everyone was allowed free access. Novice stargazer junior Kelly Jensen went to Reddish Knob last year in search of a comet. "It's a cool place to go to watch the stars," she said. "You can see for miles around."

Massanutten resort and ski area was another favorite escape from the pressures of schoolwork. Chad O'Neil frequented Massanutten on Monday Cheap Ski Nights simply because it was a "good place to go when you're short on dough."

Within walking distance from campus, the Arboretum provided a nice getaway for nature lovers who did not feel like traveling far or who did not have cars. Students could lounge by the pond with a significant other or trek on the mulch-laden trails.

An intriguing part of JMU's surroundings was the downtown area. Junior Heather Ruhlmann described it as "a place with a lot of Mom and Pop shops." She felt that this enabled students "to get a better feel for the town." One of these locales was Kline's Dairy Bar. Deep in the heart of Harrisonburg, Kline's provided "a good, inexpensive, mid-week break from studying," said junior Davey Ahearn.

More audacious spirits hunted down places such as Jess's Quick Lunch, the Little Grill and the American Indian Cafe, all situated in or near downtown Harrisonburg. Junior Kris Anderson described Jess's Quick Lunch as a "neat, old-fashioned southern lunch counter with traditional greasy food. I go there when I'm sick of fast food and I don't want to wait to get served," he said. Junior Jon Herbst was a fan of the American Indian Cafe "because there is such a warm atmosphere and the food is wonderful; it's also very chill." Who knows what other hot spots are waiting to be discovered in Harrisonburg?

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BY AUDRA FRAUNFELDER

# Breaking AWAY

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Spring Break was a time for students to relax, catch up on schoolwork and enjoy themselves. Some went home to visit their families, some went on vacation with friends and some stayed in the 'Burg. Wherever they went, students agreed that they needed to take a break.

Many students returned home to be with their families and high school buddies. Sophomore Jason Inman visited his mom in Richmond. "She moved there after I graduated high school, so I didn't know anyone there. I had a good time, though — I typed an essay, but when I returned to school, I found that I had left it at home and had to have my mom fax it to me!"

Although the weather in Virginia was not as warm as it usually is, students were glad to have the vacation from classes. "It re-energized me!" said Karla Gonzalez, a sophomore who spent her break hanging out with her family in Northern Virginia.

For her week off, junior MaryBeth Coleman went to Oaxaca Mexico with a group from Catholic Campus Ministry. "I had gone on a trip with them last spring, and I had such a great time that I wanted to go again!" In addition to helping around the community and spending time with the residents of Oaxaca, Coleman spent the "first few days touring the surrounding areas. One day we went to Zocalo, the center of town which housed many vendors in an outdoor market who had items for sale." Coleman also said that "it was an experience to see a different culture [in action] and to be in a place where English is not the primary language."

Senior Sarah Weglian visited a friend in England who was participating in the study abroad program. She spent the week traveling around Bath, London and Windsor. "I had been to Germany and France before, but this was my first time in England," Weglian said. "It was very pretty there."

The mid-semester holiday allowed students to take a break and come back focused for the second half of the semester.

BY MEG VORTHMAN





**D**reaming of her own wedding day, Amy Williams savors her Spring Break in front of the Wedding Pavilion at Walt Disney World. Many students traveled south for the week to enjoy the sun and sand.

A. Williams



Berle



Davis

**A**s Rachel Weaver is devoured by 'Jaws,' Elaina Scyphers stands by, not a bit phased. Universal Studios and other theme parks were popular destinations during Spring Break.

**J**MU students team up with their pal Eeyore in Orlando during their Spring Break. This group of students also got a chance to visit Cocoa Beach in Florida. Because of its warm weather, Florida was a popular destination.

**T**raining every Thursday, ROTC members practice various drills in lab. Members had physical training three days a week, up to three lectures per week and a lab which was set up as an army battalion.



**F**alling back, Will Weing demonstrates rappelling off of Eagle Hall. Rappeling was one of the drills done by ROTC members throughout the year.



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**W**atching a fellow student rappel from Eagle Hall, these members wonder how well they'll do. ROTC members dressed in uniform every Thursday.

**P**articipating in the Ranger Challenge at VMI, a group of ROTC participants pose proudly. JMU's chapter of the ROTC has won the competition for four consecutive years.



K. Williams



ROTC

# T raining HARD

Many people believe that the ROTC program turns out nothing but future G.I. Joes ready to fight, but it in fact does much more. Students don't have to major in the military field to wear ROTC's camouflage uniforms; however, the program's main goal is to produce officers for the army. The participants can also choose to join one of the groups within the ROTC program such as the Military Honors Society, Officer Christian Fellowship or the Color Guard.

This year's ROTC program included 200 members, roughly 80 of whom were freshmen. A significant number of the ROTC members were female. Women participants are expected to be on the same level as men and are judged by the same standards. Senior Leah Komara, a second lieutenant, said, "ROTC was the best opportunity of my life. It has opened so many doors and taught me so much about leadership. I have felt comfortable and equal on every level."

ROTC training started right at the beginning of the year. The third- and fourth- year members even had to come back to JMU early to get oriented before the new recruits arrived. All participants had physical training three days a week for one hour all year. Captain Vic Hearne, assistant professor of military science, said the students also have lab once a week and up to three lectures a week. The lab session is like an army battalion where the freshmen are soldiers, the sophomores are sergeants, and the juniors and seniors are officers.

ROTC hosted many activities on and around campus for the students including two blood drives, rappelling off Eagle Hall and helicopter rides as part of the STX field-training exercises. ROTC members also participated in the Staunton 10-mile Run and the Highway 13 Cleanup.

Senior cadet Ted Fluke said, "My experience in the ROTC program was unforgettable. I've not only met a lot of people, but I've been able to do a lot of crazy stuff I couldn't do anywhere else. It's great, and everyone should try it."

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BY LISA ROSATO

# Reaching OUT

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From Habitat for Humanity to Alpha Phi Omega to the reborn Madison Honors Club, students at JMU can find numerous opportunities to give their time and effort to help others. It is clearly evident that JMU students do care about their surrounding community and world contrary to public opinion about our generation.

According to students involved in Center for Service Learning (CSL), the program is a rewarding experience. Junior Jessica Tencza worked with the environmental agency of CSL. She organized an event through the Greener Harrisonburg organization which involved planting flowers by Interstate 81. "It was a good experience because it got me involved in the Harrisonburg community," she said. "CSL placed me very quickly and they were very cooperative."

Junior Jennifer Woodworth said, "Everybody is so friendly in the office. I couldn't believe there was a program so devoted to helping other people, especially in the Harrisonburg community and not just on campus."

In addition to CSL, a number of smaller organizations made themselves available for service. Campus Assault Response Helpline, a group of about 25 members, is on call from noon every Thursday until noon the following Monday. After 20 hours of training, volunteers can go online, alternating 24-hour shifts each weekend. Each semester, CARE holds Carestock, a festival with local band performing at The Office in downtown Harrisonburg.

Another popular service organization at JMU is the national co-ed fraternity Alpha Phi Omega, of which President Clinton is a brother. APO works with the Association of Retarded Citizens, Harrison House (for the homeless), Salvation Army and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals among many others. "We have so much fun while we work on different service projects that we just look forward to more," senior Sonal Dutt said.

The various service organizations provided an outlet for students who wanted to make a difference in the community.

BY CAROLYN FRENCH AND  
RACHEL ROSWAL







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Speaking about the seriousness of date rape, Hillary Wing-Lott presents "Rape is Not Sex," sponsored by CARE in Wilson Hall. The group had a hot line every weekend where members were on call for anyone in a sexual assault situation.



Berle



Duffy

Watching over this little Honduran girl, sophomore Dana Berle spends part of her summer working in a free clinic. Through the Medical Ministry International organization, Berle helped run an eye clinic in Honduras.

Helping out at Spotswood Elementary School, these AΦΩ members take some time out of their busy schedules to watch over and play with one of the kindergarten classes. Many of JMU's service groups were involved with area schools.

Nailing up some insulation and plywood, Kristin Dame and Stacy Grosh help build a house in Harrisonburg with Habitat for Humanity. Habitat also spent Spring Break building houses in Boca Raton, Florida.

**G**etting a huge wet kiss from Oswald, the WXJM dog, Jacob Wascalus shows what a good sport he is. Oswald strutted around WXJM as if he owned the place.



**B**ecoming very close with his pet Mephistopheles, Stone attracted quite a few onlookers with his unusual pet python. Very few, however, dared to keep animals this dangerous as pets.



**W**ith a face like this, how can anyone resist having a pet? On-campus students were only allowed to keep fish in their rooms, but the off-campus crowd often invaded campus with their animals.

**D**aring to be different, this student showers her pet lizard with kisses. While much of the community owned traditional cats or dogs, some students went for more exotic pets.



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# Wagging TAILS

Whether it was the traditional cat, dog or a more obscure pet, students found pets to be not only a source of fun, work and amusement, but also of unconditional love. The wagging tails, purring, chirping and cuddling all gave students the comfort they needed after a long day.

While off-campus students often had an endless selection of pets to choose from, those who lived on-campus were limited to Bubbles, the pet fish; however, a few worked around the rules. Freshman Kara Bohen and her suitemates thought a frog qualified as fish-like because it lived in a bowl. "My suitemate Jenny loves frogs, and the rest of us just wanted to have an unusual pet. We were at Wal-Mart one weekend, saw 'Fred,' and bought him," commented Bohen. Unfortunately, the frog died during the first semester, but she explained, "we loved him so much that we kept him for three days after he passed away."

Those living off campus had a menagerie of animals running around. Many students caught the attention of onlookers, by bringing their pets to campus every day, especially when it was a lizard, bunny or some other unique animal. Dogs often accompanied their owners while running to class and on errands.

No matter what the circumstances, students always held a special place in their hearts for their pets. Some students were glad to live off campus so that they had the space they needed to properly care for a pet.

"I can see why students aren't supposed to have pets in the dorms," junior Mogan Daniels said. "In such close quarters, it's not fair for a pet like a bunny. In an apartment, though, our rabbit Potsy has room to explore when we take him out of the cage where he sleeps."

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BY HEATHER EASLEY AND  
JEFF MORRIS

# Having FUN

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Even though spring semester ended in early May, students remained busy throughout the summer. Whether it was a job, classes or just plain fun, everyone took the chance to gain experience for the future and take a break from the normal school year.

For many, a summer job provided a great opportunity to make some money and enhance a resume. Through waiting tables, lifeguarding, building houses or typing, to name a few, students got a chance to enter the real work world, even if only for a little while. By the end of the summer, these students had gained valuable experiences, unforgettable memories and a different kind of education. Sophomore Jenny Rogers learned to like coffee this summer during her early hours as a lobby agent for United Airlines at Dulles Airport in Washington, D.C. Rogers also got a chance to meet a number of people including the D.C. United Soccer Team, Kareem Abdul-Jabar and some foreign Olympians.

Sophomore Mark Oates spent his summer in Anaheim, California playing in the Disneyland All-American College Band. A music major, Oates was one of twenty students who were selected from across the country to perform all styles of music five times a day, five days a week in Disneyland. "It was one of the best musical experiences of my life," Oates said. "Just being in southern California was great, but to get a chance to play my trumpet in the happiest place on earth was an unforgettable experience."

Students also used summer break as a chance to travel. As bassoonist for the D.C. Youth Orchestra, sophomore Jeremy Martin traveled Western Europe for 10 days, performing and sightseeing in cities such as Amsterdam, Paris and Brussels. "I will never forget seeing the Eiffel Tower at night," Martin said, "or how your footsteps glowed when you walked on the phosphorescent algae on the sand of the North Sea in Belgium."

While others had their own unique adventures, some students took classes to get ahead or get caught up. Yet even with all of the hard work, the summer was filled with memories and valuable experiences never to be forgotten.

BY LEAH BAILEY





Jasper

**A**top a camel with sand and pyramids all around, Angela Jasper and friend get a taste of the ancient culture of Egypt. Jasper traveled with a group to the Pyramids of Giza in Cairo, Egypt during July 1996.



Russo

**E**njoying an afternoon on the water, Kara Francois, Diana Russo and Kelly Jones spend a weekend at Burke Lake. Students didn't always have to travel far to find summer enjoyment.



Snyder

**S**topping for a quick break, Amy Hans, second from left, and her church group help add a room onto a church in southern Mexico. The group knocked out a wall, layed cement and painted, among other things, as a mission project.

**C**ompeting at the 1996 Regional Lifeguard Championships at Florida State University, Brock Snyder, left, waits for his results. These championships brought lifeguards from all over the United States together.



Hans

**F**ighting it out at the Gladiator Duel, these students try to keep themselves up. Students had to sign release forms before participating in the events at the health fair.



**W**orking her way up the Rock Climbing Challenge, this student fights the laws of gravity. The events at the health fair were physically and mentally challenging.



**P**erforming on Oct. 4, 1996, The J in Mary keep the crowd alive. Live performances attracted audiences throughout Homecoming Weekend.

**T**riumphant at the Bouncy Boxing ring, this winner declares victory in the ring. The health fair was held on Oct. 3 and 4, 1996.





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# Feeling HEALTHY

The annual health fair, which kicked off Homecoming Weekend, had a new location and more to offer this year than in the past. The Jeep Eagle Collegiate Health and Fitness Tour was held on the new field behind the University Recreation Center this year in order to have more space for activities and information booths.

The health fair is not unique to JMU; it actually travels to about 50 universities and colleges each year. A team of 18 staff members and tour director Ken Gistedt tour the United States from Sept. 1 through Dec. 15 and then again from January through May. Their entourage includes five 26-foot trucks, a 33-foot trailer and four automobiles. The tour travels to two schools a week, bringing fitness activities such as the Gladiator Duel, the Rock Climbing Challenge and the Human Fly Wall.

Dueling at the Gladiator Duel were seniors Chris Gough and Meghan Zimmerman. After defeating Zimmerman 3-1, Gough said triumphantly, "I won 3-1 because I fell on purpose."

Zimmerman, however, had a different take on the outcome of their match. "He won because I felt bad for him," she said, smiling.

The Rock Climbing Challenge was another main attraction at the Jeep Eagle Collegiate Health and Fitness Tour. Freshman Lessley Mader almost made it to the top. "I did this in Connecticut one time but this one's tougher because of how it curves over," Mader said.

The health fair had a number of commercial sponsors aside from Jeep Eagle. There were booths and events sponsored by TWA, Details Magazine, Lipton Iced Tea, Plymouth, Arrid, Trojan, Clearly Canadian and Discover. Each booth offered free sample items. One of the most popular attractions was a new drink, Orbitz, from Clearly Canadian.

Local band The J in Mary also appeared at the event, providing free musical entertainment to participants and employees alike. They performed on stage next to the entrance to the field.

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BY RACHEL ROSWAL

# Studying ABROAD

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Every year hundreds of students travel to a different country and study abroad. JMU offers international study abroad programs as well as exchange and internship opportunities in Europe, Russia, the Middle East, Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia and Africa. Each program is different and offers unique opportunities, depending on the interests of the students involved.

The Office of International Education coordinates the programs. Most students study abroad for one semester during their junior year, but some sophomores and seniors go abroad as well. Junior Ryan Thompson studied in Salamanca, Spain, in the spring of 1996, when he was a sophomore. Thompson decided to study abroad as a sophomore because of his "growth in Spanish classes."

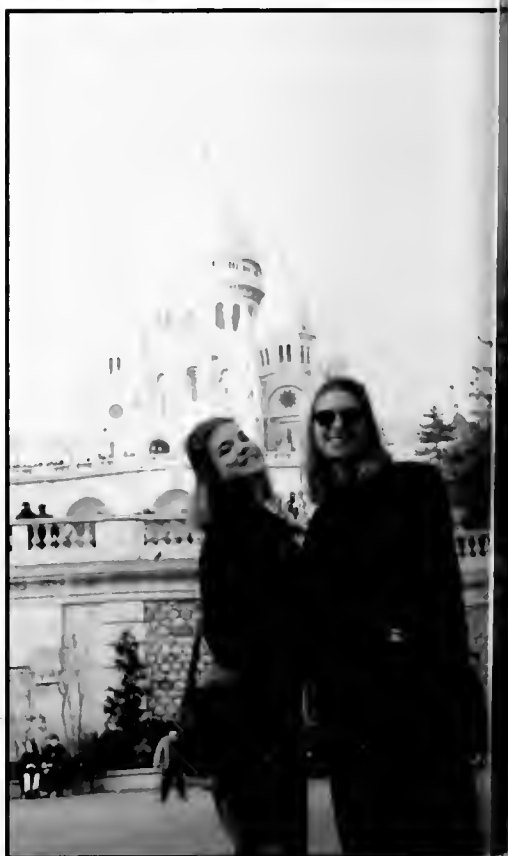
Although studying abroad is not limited to foreign language majors, some programs have a language requirement for applicants. Most programs also include courses that participants can take to earn credit toward their majors and minors. Senior Stephani Martinell studied in London during the spring of 1996. "I figured London would be the best place to go for my major," Martinell said. "I want to be an English teacher."

Students go abroad to see new cultures, people and social behaviors, but it takes time to adjust to living in a foreign country. "Language is the biggest route to the culture," Thompson said.

Some students were faced with bigger language barriers than others. Senior Robert Keeling spent five months in Tokyo, Japan, last year. "Language was a problem, especially the reading part," Keeling said. Japanese has over 3,000 characters and Keeling knew only a few hundred. "I got lost my first day of class."

College is one of the best times for an individual to go abroad. After studying abroad, students often return with a stronger sense of self and a better understanding not only of other cultures but also of their own.

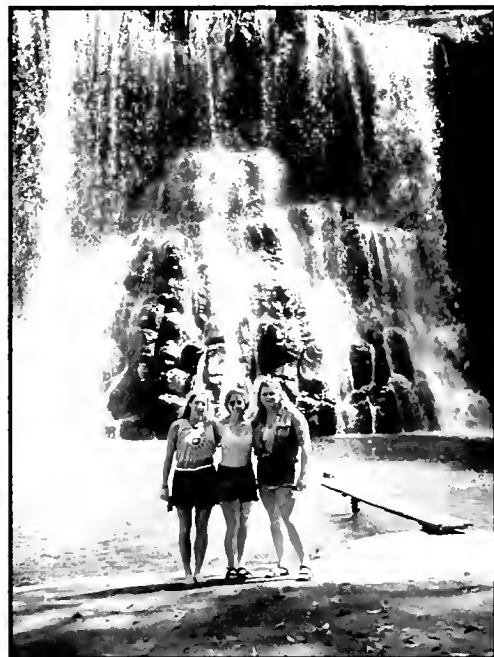
BY MEGAN FITZPATRICK





Keeling

Senior Robert Keeling at Nagoya, Japan, with Alex Tepper from Cornell University in 1996. Keeling traveled to and studied in Japan through the Counsel of International Educational Exchange with 21 other students.



Benenson

Maria Giannini, Brendalou Samuel and Cannie Graham relax at a waterfall in Honduras. The three students worked together in a village while they studied abroad.



FitzPatrick

Jenn Barthels and Pamela Bogunia tour the Sacre-Coeur Cathedral in Paris, France, on Jan. 21, 1996. Spring semester was a popular time of year for studying abroad in Europe and Asia.

On a weekend excursion to Venice, Italy, Robin Brunstum, Holly Rugland, Regan Dillon and Megan FitzPatrick enjoy their sight seeing. Gondolas in the canals were a main attraction in Italy.

Bogunia



**A**fter their semester in Honduras, these traveling students wait for their connecting flight to return home. Understanding the transportation systems in other countries sometimes took longer than expected.

**K**im Pagels, Pamela Bogunia, Jenn Barthels and Paula Montore enjoy time studying in France. They spent some of their free time at Etretat Beach while they were in France.



## Studying ABROAD

**B**en Heidt, Jen Nowitzky and Tad Melton goof off in front of Stonehenge on a trip to Bath, England. While studying in London, students took many day-long and week-end trips.

**H**ealth sciences students look out over Tegucigalpa, Honduras, after visiting a zoo. Dr. Marsha Ball, coordinator of the program, stands in the top-left corner.



*Living in a foreign country takes some adjustment time. Students go abroad to see new cultures, people and social behaviors. "Language is the biggest route to the culture."*



**D**uring a weekend excursion from Salamanca, Spain, these students rest on the grounds of a castle in Segovia. Segovia is located right outside of Madrid.

**R**yan Thompson tours Santiago de Compostela with friends on an independent weekend trip. Students studying abroad took short trips with their groups and independently.

*K*eeping with the Halloween tradition, these students celebrated in their own costumes. Being in college didn't prevent students from dressing up.

*L*ighting the first candle in his Menorah, David Salpeter begins to celebrate the holiday season. Students celebrated the holidays as the fall semester came to a close.



*S*teering the lighting ceremony, the participants hold candles in celebration of the approaching holiday season. The ceremony was held on Dec. 8, 1996, as part of the Holiday Eve at Wilson Hall.

*H*overing above Times Square in New York City, Spiderman makes his annual Thanksgiving Day appearance. The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade was part of the holiday for many.





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# Catching THE SPIRIT

Holidays are a time of bustling activity. The air seems to have an electric quality about it, and people tend to be in the best of moods. Time passes quickly when one is preparing for a special holiday.

Students from all over the world attend JMU. Each one carries warm memories and brings his or her own family holiday traditions to JMU. Many prepared for holidays with friends by attending parties and dances or decorating their apartments or rooms. Meredith Gee and her roommates decorated their apartment on Christmas and Halloween "to get in the spirit of the upcoming festivities." Many students in the dorms also decorated with jack-o'-lanterns in the windows, trees in the lobby, lights around the windows and posters on the walls.

Excitement traveled through the air as each holiday approached. Many sororities and fraternities as well as other campus groups held dances to celebrate. Other students dressed up in costumes, attended the HolidayFest or gave out Easter baskets. While the school year includes a number of holidays from Columbus Day to St. Patrick's Day, not everyone has the time or energy to celebrate each and every one. Hilary Stauffer said, "I don't like Halloween because I don't like to dress up and go trick-or-treating. However, I really love Christmas, especially when JMU puts up the huge tree on the Quad."

However, holidays sometimes brought out feelings of sadness and loneliness for students who were away from home, especially when others were full of spirit and happiness.

Overall, holidays brought out the best in people. They united the student community at JMU, creating a sense of wholeness as a campus at their home away from home.

*"Many students dressed up, carved pumpkins or decorated their rooms to get in the spirit of upcoming festivities."*

BY BRIDGET WUNDER

# Hanging OUT



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When the stress of college life builds up and takes over a student's life, there is only one solution. An age-old form of relaxation, "hanging out" not only alleviates stress and worry, but it also allows students to take a break and enjoy themselves for a while.

For sophomore Ryan Green, hanging out entailed anything that didn't involve thinking about school. "I'll waste time watching TV, sitting around with my roommates, talking on the phone—whatever."

For students who did their studying at home, roommates, TV and telephones often caused distractions that eventually led to hanging out. "No matter how hard I try to read, I always end up in the living room talking to my roommates," senior Matthew Swanson said. "On a good day we'll head down to Willoby's for a couple of hours."

Local restaurants were as good a place as any for hanging out with friends. "I like to go to the Beanery," said senior Sarah Ebberts. "It gives my friends and I a chance to get away from home for a while and enjoy each other's company."

Senior Dave Chintala often spent his evenings at his girlfriend's apartment. "I like to go over there to get away from my work and relax," he said. "She and her roommates are usually hanging out talking anyway so it's hard for me to go back to work."

For students who didn't give in to the urge during the week, hanging out was reserved for weekends. "I usually take the weekends off from my schoolwork," junior Johnny McBride said. "I'll go to a football game during the day and party all night long. That's the best type of hanging out."

No matter what form it took, hanging out was an integral social aspect of college life that many students perfected early in their college careers.

BY AMY KELLER



**H**anging out at a party in the spring, Roz Davidson, Jennifer Ambrose and Marsha Hurt enjoy the weekend. Parties were a popular way for students to relax and let off steam.

**R**As and residents have a barbecue in front of Converse Hall at the beginning of the year. Nirav Chaudhari grills burgers on the lawn near Bluestone Drive.



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*McCluskey*

**P**laying guitar on the lawn near the Village, these students take advantage of the good weather. The lawns outside residence halls were a common place for musicians to practice.

**A**t the Kappa Alpha house, this student throws a dart with concentration. Darts were one of many games played at parties.



**I**n *Agnes of God*, doctor Martha Livingstone (Amy Barrett), a court-appointed psychiatrist, is asked to determine the sanity of a young nun accused of murdering her own baby by the overprotective Mother Miriam Ruth (Kathryn McDermott).



**A**s part of the Fall Student Dance Concert in Godwin Studios, these dancers perform their number. Many dance students took this opportunity to show off their talent.



**D**ancers in the Richmond Ballet perform in the first Masterpiece Season event. They performed ballets *Firebird*, *The Taming of the Shrew*, and *Ballet for a New Century*.



**P**ortraying the operatic version of the fairy tale *Hansel and Gretel*, Reshma Shetty and Bharati Soman come upon the gingerbread house owned by the witch. The opera by Engelbert Humperdinck was produced by the Schools of Music and of Theatre and Dance.

**S**tarring Rita McKenzie and Glen Yarbrough, *Annie Get Your Gun*, with music and lyrics by Irving Berlin, was performed by National Touring Musicals. The musical-comedy was part of the Masterpiece Season Series.

# Taking THE STAGE

Whether it was dance, music or theater, students and organizations provided artistic performances for everyone. The School of Theatre and Dance presented a number of concerts and plays as did the School of Music. Often they combined efforts to put on productions such as operas and musicals.

As part of the Masterpiece Season, the School of Dance put on a number of concerts. The Virginia Repertory Dance Company held its home concert in December, and the Contemporary Dance Company held its concert in March. Both groups were made up of current JMU dance majors who planned to dance professionally.

The School of Music put on a number of concerts, showcasing numerous bands, orchestras and choirs. Whether it was faculty, the Guitar Ensemble, the Wind Symphony or the Madison Singers, there were opportunities almost every week throughout the year to hear and enjoy the hard work of these musicians. In addition, the School of Music teamed up with the School of Theatre and Dance to perform the opera *Hansel and Gretel* and the musical *Kiss Me Kate*.

The School of Theatre and Dance also presented a number of performances throughout the year. In November, *Agnes of God* ran for a week in Latimer-Shaeffer Theatre as did *The Professional* in April. Aside from these major plays, there were also numerous small productions. Becoming part of the Stratford Players was a great way to get involved in theatre on a purely experimental level. Senior James Pinkowski, who directed "Pots and Pans," liked being part of the group. "It's a great way to get involved with the shows they produce in Theatre II. It's all experimental theater, and I enjoy it," he said. Ashly Covington, director of "Titanic," agreed. "It's a great way for freshmen theater majors especially to meet everybody and get involved. It's an advantage theater majors have: they are able to learn how to do everything they want to early on in their career," she said.

Throughout the year, JMU offered students and the public not only great entertainment, but also great opportunities for performance experiences.

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BY ELIZA COPELAN AND  
LEAH BAILEY

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# Building UP

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Every school has a unique style of architecture. Newer schools have modern structures with sharp angles and straight edges in an art deco fashion. Older schools incorporate pillars, arches and smoothly curved structures. Here at JMU, we have the best of all worlds. Some buildings on campus have arches, pillars and bluestone faces, all of which create an old-fashioned, almost regal feeling. Other buildings have more modern characteristics, including maze-like office areas and marble floors.

One of the newest buildings on campus is the University Recreation Center. Once confined to a recreational room located in the basement of Godwin Hall, the Wellness Center expanded to include a brand new recreational facility for all students and faculty to use. The new building had a large pool, spacious weight rooms with state-of-the-art equipment, an indoor track and a huge basketball court. A new bridge was constructed to allow students to safely cross Interstate 81 to reach UREC, the Convocation Center and the new CISAT building.

Although many students know which building on campus is the newest, only a few, if any, know which buildings are the oldest. In 1908 Madison was called the Normal and Industrial School for Women at Harrisonburg. Under the direction of the founders, the first two buildings constructed for the school were Science Hall and Dormitory No. 1. Over the years, the architecture of the university changed building by building, while the "architecture" of the student body changed from single sex to co-ed. Today James Madison University still has its two original buildings, now known as Maury Hall and Jackson Hall. Some of the older residence halls, such as Converse Hall and Cleveland Hall, create a special effect for campus. Sophomore Sara Dinwoodie, a resident of Gifford Hall, said, "The Bluestones are the prettiest part of the campus."

JMU began as a two-building learning facility surrounded by farmland in 1908, and, after almost ninety years, the students who first attended this school would barely recognize their alma mater.

BY BRIDGET WUNDER







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**B**uilding up and out, the new University Recreation Center is one example of the school's recent growth. Across Interstate 81, UREC brings forth a new style, as do the new Integrated Science and Technology buildings.



Vitback

**C**rossing the lawn in front of Cleveland Hall, these students rush off to their destinations. Situated between the Music Building, Duke Hall, Johnston Hall and Miller Hall, Cleveland offered its residents short walks to class and big rooms.

**T**he scene of research, studying and group projects, Carrier Library remains busy throughout the year. While the newer part of the library breaks from the traditional style of the Bluestones, its color and style smooth the transition between old and new.



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Vitback

**H**aving found her niche, this student takes advantage of a secluded spot in which to study. As each semester passed, students found their own places within the school community.

**G**athered on the front steps of Keezell Hall, these students take a break from class. Characterized by their arched windows and stone facade, the blue-stone buildings are often thought of as the prettiest on campus.

**W**addling along the edges of Newman Lake, these ducks take in the scenic views of campus. The houses on Greek Row had their own distinct look, yet blended into the more modern style of the Lakeside area.

**G**etting down, Amy Parsons and Nick Laappis enjoy a dance at a Tau Beta Sigma-Kappa Kappa Psi joint formal as do Amice Peck and Adam Klein at a banquet at the Sheraton.



**S**topping for a quick picture, Margaret Davis and Christy Steel pose for the camera at this Zeta Tau Alpha formal. Formal dances give people a reason to dress up a little once in a while.



**D**etermined to impress, Meredith Yancey, Louise DiCosta, Michelle Myers, Mandy Bradley, Kristin Smith, Courtney Huggard and Laurie Wright enjoy the Young Lat formal at Gumbo's in Alexandria.

**B**rothers of Alpha Phi Omega, Mik Ciccarello and Jessica Dowdy enjoy their spring formal. A co-ed fraternity dedicated to service, Alpha Phi Omega members also made time for social events.



# Dancing FOOLS

Heels clicking on the dance floor, last-minute buttoning of the shirt cuffs, one final check in the mirror, then it's off to meet the date.

It's cold outside and warmth of dress has been sacrificed for the sake of appearance. Despite the weather, moods are high and smiles abound.

Formals are usually held at the end of both semesters, allowing students ample time to plan for the big event. Fraternities, sororities and nearly every other campus group hold formals to give members a chance to get together, look their best and enjoy a night of dancing and fun.

Whether the event was formal or semiformal, a good time was usually had by all.

Alpha Phi Omega, a service fraternity with over 100 members, had their semi-formal on Nov. 16 at McCormick's Pub in Staunton. Sophomore Jeff Marsh said, "I liked seeing everybody dressed up, especially my date because she was beautiful."

The TV lounge in Chandler Hall was the site of the residence hall's semiformal on Nov. 16. Senior hall director Valerie Bolen said the dance was initially underestimated, but ended up lasting longer than originally planned.

"People stepped in to see what it was about and it seemed like so much fun that they went upstairs to get dressed up and then came back down!" she said.

Pi Sigma Epsilon, one of four business fraternities held its winter semiformal at Pano's Restaurant. Senior Karen Gurick and her date Dave Chintala enjoyed the last ΠΣΕ semiformal of their college careers.

"We've gone to so many formals over the years that this one wasn't really a big deal," Gurick said. "But once we were there it occurred to both of us that this would be the last one we'd go to together as students. That made it almost more important than any of the others."

All in all, formals provided a chance for students to get dressed up and have a good time while at the same time express support for their organizations.

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BY RICK LONG AND  
AMY KELLER

# Standing OUT

*"A lot of people were doing some really weird stuff ... we figured we'd do something a little different."*

While the majority of students at JMU spent their days studying, eating and partying, a small minority found stardom an optimal distraction.

Junior Eric Branner found his way to San Francisco compliments of his musical ability and WBOP. When the local radio station offered a contest with the prize of a trip to the west coast for a New Year's Metallica concert, Branner and junior Mike Finn were game. The contest was held at Awful Arthur's downtown.

"A lot of people were doing some really weird stuff, but since this place [Harrisonburg] is pretty conservative, we figured we'd do something a little different." Something "a little different" became a rendition of some of Metallica's biggest songs on banjo and tuba. The judges evidently appreciated the unusual instrument choices and awarded the duo with the trip to San Francisco.

"It was a blast ... we got to see the city and go to the show; it was a really cool way to spend New Year's," said Branner.

For another group of student musicians, it was playing the shows, not seeing them, that provided them with their fifteen minutes of fame, and sometimes more.

The band the j in mary has two CDs to its credit, the first selling 1,000 copies in its first year, along with a local following that stretches beyond the JMU community into Charlottesville, Blacksburg and Washington, D.C.

Though none of the band members was sure of the secret of the j in mary's success, senior drummer Ben Thrift remembered how it all started. "At first we started out just fooling around with music ... but then things got better and better. Now we've played at Virginia Tech, Clemson, New York ..."

The band's biggest gig was at New York City's CBGB where notable acts like LIVE and Madonna performed during their days on the club circuit. But the j in mary's greatest accomplishment came in January when the band gained national exposure when its music was featured in the Lifetime channel's series "The Place." "We're taking a year off after graduation to do this full time and see how far we can go," said Thrift. "Our goal is to get a deal with a major label."

BY SIMONE FIGULA





**F**rom half court shots to JMU tuition, Jamie Duril and Bryan Jackson celebrate with Duke Dog. The coincidence of two winners in one night doubled the excitement at a men's basketball game.

**P**erforming at the Salt Mine in Harrisonburg, What If ... ? plays for an enthusiastic audience. The Christian rock band gained recognition from the JMU community over the course of the school year.



*J. Graham, courtesy of The Breeze*

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**E**n her moment of triumph, Kim Morgan accepts her title as the Kumite Junior World Champion. The World Karate Federation Championships were held in Johannesburg, South Africa.

**P**laying their way to a Metallica concert, Mike Finn and Eric Branner found the most unique way to win on WBOP. Finn and Branner traveled to San Francisco for the New Year's Eve concert.

*H*anging out at Luigi's was a great source of memories for many seniors. The casual atmosphere and great food made everyone feel at home.



*S*porting his '70s gear, Sean Niehoff gets into the groove for a '70s party. Theme parties were a major part of many seniors' memories of college.



*S*onja Dutt and her friends make memories at FAO Schwartz in Washington, D.C. Weekend trips brought opportunities for great times with college friends.

#### Tips for a perfect pizza

- 1 Roll it
- 2 Flatten it
- 3 Get a little nose
- 4 Throw it
- 5 Top it
- 6 Have fun
- 7 Cook it

Thank you  
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*W*ading in the Mediterranean Sea off the coast of Nice, France, Tammy Pavlik enjoys her time abroad. Many students' best memories were from studying abroad.





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# Looking BACK

Beginning their final year of college, many seniors eagerly await graduation and post-college life. As the day approached, however, nearly every graduating senior became nostalgic as old memories brought to mind the "good old days."

"I never realized how much I would miss this place," Brett Conway said. "Looking back over the years, I've had so many good times. I wish I could remember each one exactly as it happened, but the four years have passed so fast that I can't always remember what happened when."

Although the years did pass quickly for many seniors, some were able to pinpoint one specific time that defined their college career. "Meeting Gainer," said Dan Catlaw in reference to his freshman year suitemate, who had a major impact on his following three years.

While classes, tests and papers may have dominated students' time, few recalled school without the enthusiasm they had for free time or weekend activities. "I remember the night that my suitemates and I decided to decorate our suite with coloring book pictures," said senior Laura Fritz. "By the end of the year, we had hundreds of pictures everywhere. It was one of the most lively suites in Weaver Hall."

For students who took advantage of opportunities away from JMU, it wasn't time spent in Harrisonburg, but the time spent in college that was so valuable. Senior Jennie Kang said her favorite college experience was spending a semester in Paris. "It was something I'd never experienced before and it turned out to be the experience of a lifetime."

Regardless of what specific events seniors recall as their favorite, all agree that college was indeed a time for learning and experiencing. "No one specific thing really jumps out at me as the best time I've had," Matt Dixon said. "The entire time has been so important. I learned so much and experienced so many things."

*"Looking back over the years, I've had so many good times. I wish I could remember each one exactly as it happened."*

BY AMY KELLER

# SHOOT YOURSELF

Inside, outside, dressed up, dressed down, even underwater ... this is you, JMU, as candid as it gets. When it was time to break out the cameras and shoot yourselves, that's exactly what you did. We picked the pictures we thought were the most fun and memorable and put them in this section just for you. Hope you like it ...

*Rachel and Leah*



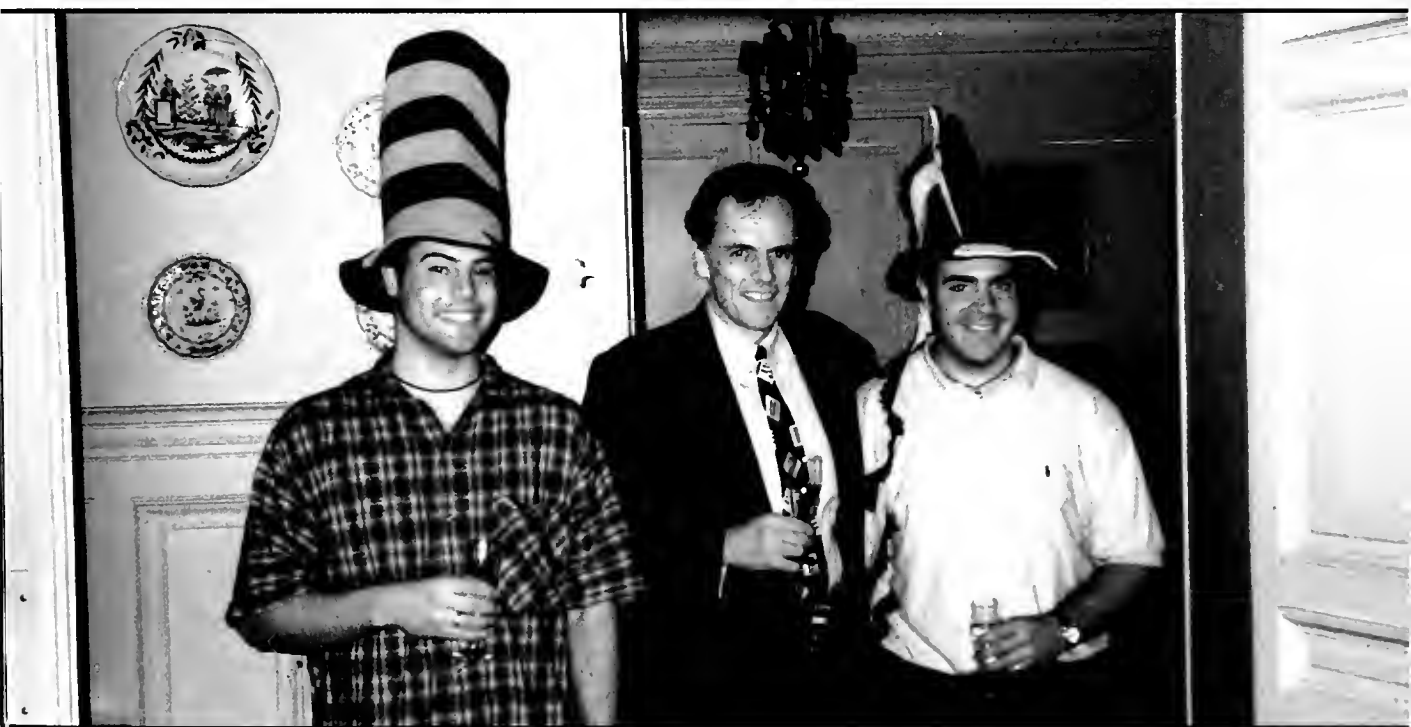




















# EXPAND

As the school year began, many students found that life at JMU was somehow different than in years past. The class of 2000 brought in more fresh faces than ever before. The boundaries of the campus grounds stretched ever farther as students were housed in HoJo's for the second time in the university's history. The new Recreation Center opened its doors for the first time, sending students across the highway on a regular basis. The CISAT campus began to take shape as finishing touches were placed on the main building, complete with a new dorm and dining facilities. Madison expanded in many new directions. Yet while the scope of the university was growing larger, all students - from freshmen starting out to seniors preparing for the real world - could still feel a sense of community. No matter what developments occurred, JMU was still a place where each individual had impact.

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~ Nicole D. Steffey ~  
EDITOR

# Packed Tight

*The largest student body ever left the university bursting at the seams*

by LIZ THOMPSON

The MORE the merrier? This was a question many students and faculty members were forced to ask themselves at the beginning of the 1996-97 school year. With the acceptance of over 500 more freshmen, there was an added STRAIN on resources and activities. JMIU was literally bursting at the seams.

The first problem the university faced when dealing with its largest-ever enrollment was where to house all the students. Every dorm was filled to capacity. Howard Johnson became a dorm to accommodate the CRUNCH of freshmen students. Some Village rooms were tripled and Converse Hall, scheduled to be closed for renovations, was reopened to house freshmen for the first time ever.

Freshman Crystal Mitchell said, "Being in a triple was okay. The BIGGEST problem was the lack of closet and drawer space."

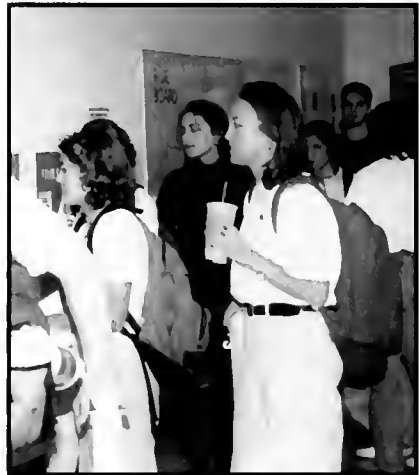
The next challenge facing the university was trying to feed everyone. Dining services had to come up with some way to accommodate the larger number of people.

"The first week, LINES at Dukes and D-Hall were enormous. You had to stand in a MOB of people for twenty minutes or more just to get dinner," said sophomore Kathy Selgas.

To cut down on the traffic at all the eating establishments on campus, dining services offered incentives to eat during "off hours."

Students had mixed reactions regarding the university's SUDDEN GROWTH spurt. "I really don't want to see JMIU become a huge university. The thing I have always loved about this school is the way we are a small, close-knit community," said senior Robyn Collins.

Sophomore Bobby Mitchell said, "The larger number of students means more long line and more cramped living, but it also means bigger parties, louder cheers at football games and MORE FRIENDS to meet."



Molewski

Students wait in long lines at the post office. The additional 500 freshmen enrolled this year created the largest student body ever. Students were often forced to wait in long lines in the mail room and at dining facilities.

Freshmen Jason Murphy, John Davis and James Nichols spend time together in their room in Chappellear Hall. Many freshmen lived in triples because of the increased enrollment. Freshmen were also housed at HoJo and in Converse Hall.



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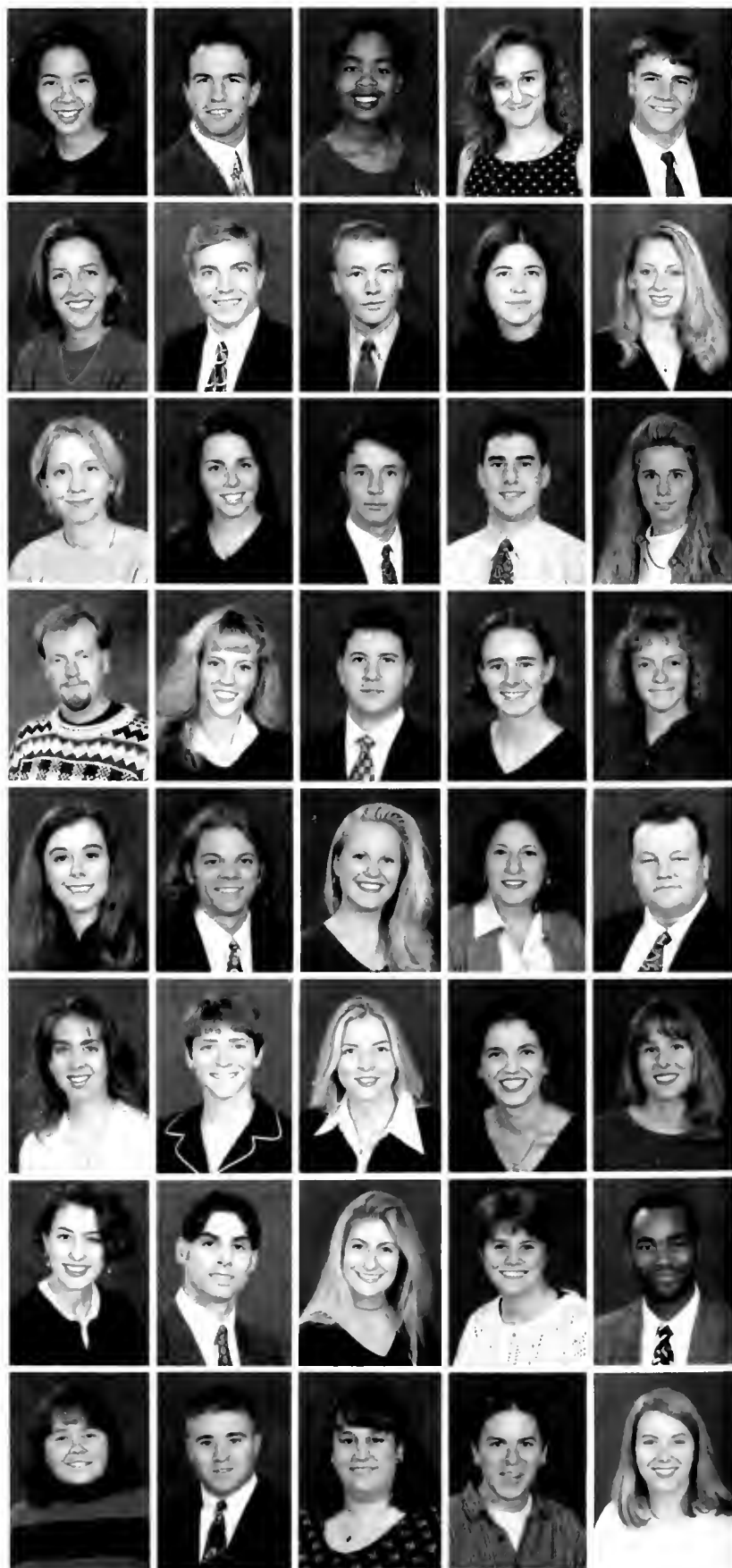
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# New Homes

*New housing off campus gave students new and unique living options*

by AMANDA SCHELL

As more and more students accepted admission to JMU for the 1996-97 school year, student housing became one of the biggest challenges facing the largest student population in the school's history. Fortunately NEW off-campus living options opened their doors as well.

Denton's apartments offered the unique opportunity for upperclassmen to pay on-campus room and board rates while living in an OFF-CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT. Located in two buildings on Court Square and Liberty Street in downtown Harrisonburg, Denton's used to be a furniture warehouse. JMU purchased the property last year and renovated the buildings into apartments.

Every apartment was designed and arranged differently. Students were able to enjoy living in a building where everything was new.

Junior Rachel Nelson was pleased with her decision to live at Denton's. "I love the idea of living downtown close to all the shops and restaurants," she said. However, living DOWNTOWN also had its drawbacks. "It's definitely not campus, and I miss that," Nelson said. "It feels far away sometimes, but the walk to campus isn't too long and it's flat so it really doesn't bother me."

South View apartments provided another new alternative for student living. The new complex, a division of The Commons apartments, offered LUXURIES such as oversized closets, double beds and built-in microwave ovens.

South View was also the only major complex to offer bathrooms adjoining each bedroom. "I love having my own bathroom," said junior Sarah Kelly. "It really gives me a sense of PRIVACY and I had a lot of fun decorating it just the way I want it."

For some, however, the distance from campus was a disadvantage of living in South View. "It is not as close as some of the other apartments. You feel sort of out of touch," Kelly added.

Although these off-campus living options were a little further away from campus, they did help alleviate the overcrowding situation.



*Draddy*

The South View apartments opened its doors to residents for the first time this fall. Each apartment has four bedrooms, four full baths and state-of-the-art appliances and conveniences. The complex is only a mile from campus.

Denton's apartments in downtown Harrisonburg provided students with the unique option of living off campus for on-campus room rates. The rooms were built over the summer in what used to be a furniture store. Each apartment was laid out differently.



*Dantels*

# Job Searching

*As graduation grew closer, students began to look at life in the real world*

by LAURIE BUTTS

"What do you want to be when you GROW UP?" Remember in kindergarten when your teacher first asked you what your future aspirations were? For many seniors the grace period of deciding was over: it was time to join the REAL WORLD. Students had to decide where to go. They started their last year of college with one thing on their minds - finding a job after graduation.

As soon as school started, the decision making began. Students faced the frustrating task of fitting the last four years of their life on the front side of a sheet of paper. Once this task was complete, they frantically sent out RESUMES. Seniors poured into the career services center in hopes of finding that perfect job. Stress over interviews started to set in and finally the long wait for a job offer began.

CAREER services offered workshops on resume writing and interviewing to help students through the job-finding process. The university and several individual departments also held career fairs throughout the year.

"The career fair is a very important day," said senior Lauren Knapp. "Sometimes you can get a job right on the spot. It is a great way to make contacts."

Students participate in the Career Fair held by the Office of Career Services. The fair was a great opportunity for students to make contacts and network. Many secured interviews while talking with businesses from all over the country.



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JMU alumni return to the School of Media Arts and Design to talk about life in the real world. Many departments sponsored their own career fairs and offered support and hints to students in search of a job or internship.

The JOB HUNT, while a challenging growth experience, could also add stress to students already loaded down with a full schedule of course work.

"It is just so overwhelming. You have to find a job, decide what direction you are going and, on top of all that, you have to try to maintain your grades in your classes - all while trying to maintain your sanity. It is so stressful!" said senior Maria Thomas.

"I don't think the REALITY of going out into the real world hits you until you send out your first resume," said senior Tamie Lee.

"It is all so different than anything you've ever experienced before. It's not like when you leave high school and have to decide on a college - this is the rest of your life," said senior Aimee Fradette.



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# Uniquely JMU

*Students and faculty members share unusual jargon and habits*

by NICOLE STEFFEY

Have you ever asked yourself what other university in the country has a TRAIN, a creek and a major interstate highway running through it? Have you ever tried to explain to someone what a "punch" is?

JMU itself is a unique COMMUNITY. In our daily lives as college students we form habits and use jargon that few people living outside of South Main Street and Port Republic Road would understand.

"I always think it's funny that we call our president 'UNCLE RON.' I asked a friend at another school once who their president was and she just laughed and said she didn't know. I think it's really nice that we know him on a first name basis," said sophomore Jessica Cole.

Uncle Ron is not the only term JMU students and faculty members have developed. While the formal name for the main dining hall is Gibbons Hall, only freshmen refer to it by that name during their first week at JMU. They soon learn that D-HALL is the only phrase used.

"I had a visitor ask me once how to get to Gibbons Hall. I had no idea. I told them there was no such building. It took me several minutes before I realized they were trying to get to D-Hall," said senior John Taylor.



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This smiling flower enjoys a spring afternoon. Every spring after ground crews planted thousands of flowers, anonymous students drew faces on the blossoms. JMU was known for its beautiful flower beds.

Students wait patiently as the train passes through campus during the day. The train often held up traffic and made students late for classes. The trains did not hold passengers, but cargo for Norfolk-Southern train lines instead.



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Certain habits and rituals are also uniquely JMU. During the winter months few students bothered with buying a fancy sled to zoom down the Valley's hills of snow. Most JMU students bragged about what great sleds D-Hall trays made. In addition, the number one party game, BEER PONG, is not very well known by many college students at other universities.

"I went to a friend's party at UVa. one weekend and I kept asking them when we were gonna start playing beer pong. They just kept looking at me like I was nuts," said junior Cory Wallack.

"It seems so weird that no one else knows that game. I mean all the gas stations on Port Republic sell ping pong balls," said sophomore Gabe Uhr.

There is only one place in the world like JMU.

# Turning 21

*A rite of passage, the big birthday gave students a reason to celebrate.*

by AMY KELLER

After 21 long years of waiting for the BIG birthday, students sometimes found themselves unable to give accurate accounts of the CELEBRATION.

For some students, college is all about partying and having fun. Even for the less active partier, the 21st birthday is an occasion to celebrate.

"For my birthday my roommates took me out for dinner and drinks," junior Sacha Ostroff said. "We had something to eat and something to drink in almost every restaurant in Harrisonburg. It was so much fun to be legal."

While the initial excitement over turning 21 may have been ENTERTAINING for a while, students sometimes found themselves in bed the morning after with a headache big enough to cause regrets.

"My birthday was so much fun that I didn't get out of bed for nearly 12 hours after it," senior Jesse McBride said. "At least I assume I had a lot of FUN. My friends are still talking about it."

Although hang-overs and memory lapses are common among college students following the big birthday, turning 21 is a LONG-AWAITED occasion for nearly everyone.

"For as long as I can remember, my friend and I have talked about going to the Hard Rock Cafe in D.C. for a glass of wine," junior Andy Sorensen said. "Of course, we're both 21 now and we've never gone."

Regardless of what students chose to do on their birthdays, few could complain about what the celebration entailed.

"I could have cared less what I did on my birthday as long as I spent it at a bar with 100 of my closest friends," junior Matthew Johnson said. "I got lucky, really, because the bar we decided to go to happens to be a local favorite. Not only were all 100 friends there, but I also made 100 new friends."

Amanda Atkins celebrates her big day with a party. Roommates and friends often threw parties for students turning 21. As the big day drew near, many students waited in anticipation for the rite of passage to arrive.



Daniels

Senior Tina Humbertson celebrates her Oct. 5 birthday with a drink at The China Inn. Tina's roommates took her out on the town for her first night of being legal. Students often went out to a special dinner for their big birthday.



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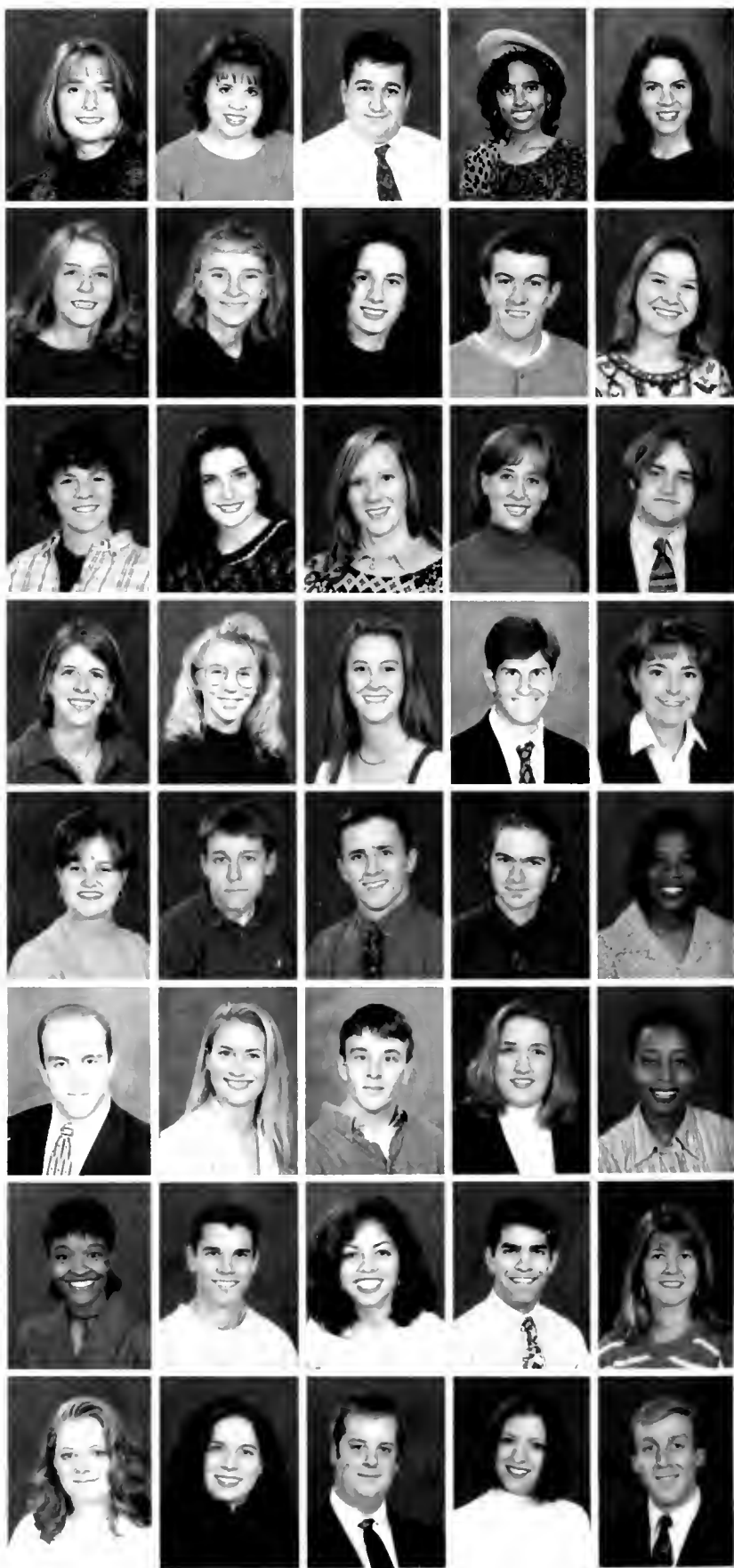
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# Hurricane Fran

*Remnants of the devastating storm ripped through the rain-soaked Valley*

by LAURIE BUTTS

Mother Nature gave students an early break as remnants of Hurricane Fran ripped through the Shenandoah Valley, **CLOSING SCHOOL** only two weeks after classes began.

On Sept. 6, Fran dropped over five inches of rain on the Harrisonburg area, causing substantial **FLOODING** by mid-morning. Torrential rains swept through the city, closing roads and many Rockingham County schools for over a week.

The university was better prepared for high water this time after having experienced the flooding that the Blizzard of '96 brought last year. Both bridges crossing the creek sustained this storm and the decision to cancel classes for the day was made very quickly.

Although the storm was a devastating blow to the community, many students welcomed the day off. Wrapping themselves in torn trash bags, many students headed over to Hillside Field for a host of **WATER SPORTS**.

"It was crazy," said sophomore Kathy Selgas. "People were all mud sliding and playing football. Some kids were even trying to jump into the creek — which at that point was more like a river."

Senior Brad Breitbeil recalled, "I woke up that morning and saw the rain and said 'let's have a party.'"

Students enjoy water sports on the Quad. The storm canceled classes for the day. Many took advantage of the free day to enjoy spending time outdoors. Hillside Field and the Quad became sights of mud football games and water slides.



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*Molewski*

Campus cadets keep students from walking through high water near the Godwin bus stop. The bridges built after the Blizzard of '96 held up through the flooding caused by Fran. Students had the day off due to torrential

Some off-campus students were not so thrilled by the inclement weather. Apartments in University Place were flooded, and students were stranded by the massive amount of water in the parking lot. Some students living at The Commons also woke up to **WATER-SOAKED** apartments.

"There was water pouring in our back door. Our carpet and furniture were ruined. It was like a bad dream," said junior Amanda Callahan.

It was also no "day off" for campus cadets, who were called in early to help the JMU police close streets and keep people out of harm.

Although the Shenandoah Valley escaped very heavy damage like the southern regions of the east coast, many of areas were hit hard.

In the weeks that followed the tropical storm, many JMU students volunteered through various campus organizations to help flood **VICTIMS** in the area.

# Happy Hour

*A few hours when students could kick back with friends and relax*

by AIMEE FRADETTE

Many students of legal age discovered a certain time of the evening when it was too early to go out to a PARTY, yet the perfect time to get together with friends and relax. This TIME was known to many as happy hour.

On any given day of the week, between the hours of 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., students could be found at their favorite local bar or restaurant, sitting among FRIENDS and chatting about the week's activities.

Students divided their time among several Harrisonburg establishments, most of which had drink and food specials to attract students in search of a GOOD DEAL.

Dave's Taverna, J. Willoby's, JM's, Blue Foxx, Boston Beanery and Spanky's were all among the favorite places students went to enjoy themselves.

Senior Alicia Pheonix said, "I go to happy hour regularly. It's a great time to wind down, be with friends and forget about being a student for a while."

Senior Nikki Yohe explained, "A night at J. Willoby's Roadhouse during their happy hour is a GREAT way to start off the weekend."

These students enjoy happy hour at Spanky's. Many chose local establishments to go to that were offering specials. Happy hour was not only a time to relax and forget the stress of classes, but also to enjoy inexpensive drinks.



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These seniors pose for a group picture before enjoying happy hour at the Boston Beanery. Happy hour was often the only chance a group of friends had to get together. Friends could catch up on the latest gossip over their favorite beer.

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Many other students enjoyed taking part in the happy hour festivities. Junior Laura Gregorio met with friends every weekend at the different restaurants around campus.

"It was nice to unwind after a long week with friends," said Gergorio. "It was a relaxing and fun way to catch up with people."

Many happy hour venues were the perfect places to kick off the upcoming weekend. People, music, drinks and food always set the right atmosphere for the break.

"It was the official beginning of the weekend scene and so I looked forward to it all week," said junior Bikram Guliani. "I can't wait until next weekend when we can start the party all over again."





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# Say Goodbye

*December, May or July: It's just the beginning of the rest of your life*

by LAURIE BUTTS & NICOLE STEFFEY

Most people associate graduation with May flowers and sunny afternoon CELEBRATIONS, but pomp and circumstance is played more than once a year at JMU.

Although the size of the December and July graduations is substantially smaller than the May commencement, veneration of the graduates is not diminished. Parents' eyes are still filled with pride, and ecstatic students still must SAY GOODBYE to their college home.

"I wish I could stay," said senior Jennifer Corboy. Corboy decided to graduate early in December to avoid the expense of an eighth semester.

Senior Mike Canada said that graduating in DECEMBER was an important step in furthering his career. "I'm on a very tight timetable. I need to get my degree and get back to my job," he said.

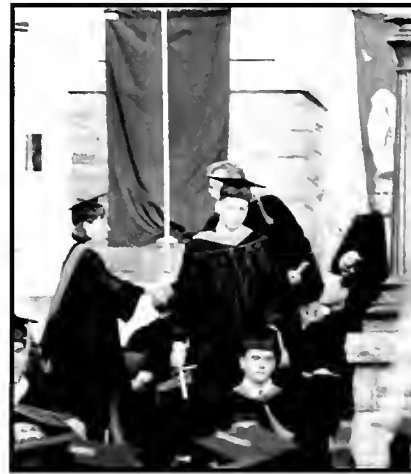
Some JMU students said they expected job prospects to be better after July and December graduations because there is a smaller influx of new graduates into the job market at those times. Others pointed to cost as a reason for not waiting until May to graduate.

December GRADUATES had the benefit of receiving their diplomas as an additional holiday gift. JULY graduates had the benefit of attending a beautiful sunset ceremony on the Quad.

JMU alumnus Bill Harlow said, "I had to take a class in May session to finish because I went abroad to do an internship. I could have walked in May, but I opted to graduate in July because I had heard the CEREMONY was beautiful. I think my family was able to enjoy my graduation more because in July there isn't the massive amounts of people crowding all of Harrisonburg."

While students graduating in May had to make dinner and hotel reservations a year ahead of time, students going through July and December graduation had more options.

"I really enjoyed graduating in July because the atmosphere was more relaxed and the ceremony was so beautiful," said alumna Cindi Thomas.



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The class of 1996 accept their diplomas from Dr. Carrier on the steps of Wilson Hall during the July commencement ceremony. Graduation took place at 7 p.m. just as the sun was beginning to set. About 300 students graduated.



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Dr. Bethany Oberst, vice president of academic affairs, addressed the crowd of parents and friends at the July commencement ceremony. A businessman from northern Virginia gave the commencement speech.

# Fall Break

*A free day to relax whether at home, on the road or in the 'Burg*

by AMANDA SCHELL

After seven straight weeks of class, college life began to wear on most students. Papers and PROJECTS began to pile up, keeping up with reading became laborious and midterms crept up out of nowhere. Numerous parking tickets had eaten all the spending money and the mysterious Simeon still had students confused. If one more person cut in line at D-Hall, they were going to get a tray upside the head. In other words, it was time for a break.

This year Fall Break was held on Oct. 21. It gave students a short but appreciated REST from the daily grind.

Some students were confused as to when Fall Break was this year and so they had trouble making plans. "I kept hearing one thing in one class and another in the next. I was so confused and so were all my professors," said junior Virginia Baetcke.

Once the confusion was cleared up, students were able to make the most of their FREE DAY. Some students decided to go HOME for the long weekend. Homesickness and the need to get away were top reasons to head back to mom and dad.

"I hadn't seen my parents since the day I moved in back in August," said freshman Luke Albright. "I was really looking forward to mom's home cooking and sleeping in my own bed."

Other students decided to take the three days and visit friends at other colleges or to take a long-awaited



Seniors Kevin Harris and Gary Alleva enjoy the sights and sounds of Times Square in Manhattan during fall break. Harris visited Alleva at home and they spent the weekend enjoying the good Italian cooking they found in the City.

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This student spent her day at space camp learning to fly to the moon. The camp puts students through vigorous physical tests to show them what it takes to be an astronaut. Many used fall break as a chance to challenge themselves.



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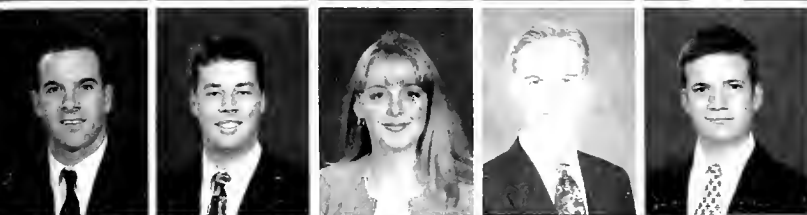
ROAD TRIP. Senior Simone Figula traveled with a friends to Pennsylvania. "It was so much fun," she said. "We went to Bucknell and to a track meet at Penn State. I met some great new people and it was nice to see another campus for a change."

Unfortunately, not all students could escape the friendly city of Harrisonburg. Some found that their work load and responsibilities were too burdensome even for a short VACATION. "I just had so much to do I stayed right here in the 'Burg," said junior John Vahedian.

Whatever the plans or destinations, Fall Break was the perfect time for students to relax and let loose before classes resumed. "I had so much fun I wish we had Fall Break every week."



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# Dressing Up

*From Halloween to theme parties, students found reasons to dress up*

by LAURIE BUTTS

If you stop by JMU on almost any weekend night, you'll probably come to the consensus that many students never really grew out of **PLAYING** dress up.

On special occasions and holidays students still enjoyed wearing their parents' clothes from the '60s and '70s and their own florescent T-shirts from the '80s. Whether it was Halloween, St. Patrick's day or just a theme party on a Friday night, students loved to find an excuse to put on a **SILLY** outfit.

"It gets you revved up for a party and creates a mood," said sophomore Kristen Titus. "There's a mission: find the perfect **OUTFIT**."

Halloween still tops the charts as one of students' favorite times to dress up. But for some the holiday was quite a trick. Sophomore Kathy Selgas said, "I was walking across the Quad and suddenly a blue **M&M** was coming toward me. For a minute I thought I was hallucinating, but then I remembered it was Halloween."

Theme parties have expanded far beyond the traditional toga **PARTIES** and now range from western ho-downs to pajama sleep overs.

"For our pledge party, I dressed my sisters up as Fruit of the Loom. They couldn't walk through doorways because they were so big," recalled Titus.



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These students proudly display their Halloween costumes. Halloween was a popular time for costume parties all around campus. Students also dressed up for theme parties and formals.

Juniors Morgan Daniels, Michelle Schmitt and Shannon Centanni dress up for a theme party. The biggest challenge of such a party was picking out the perfect outfit. Many students found costumes at local thrift stores.



Daniels

Christmas was another time of year that many students found was prime time for digging in the back of the closet. Many organizations had **FORMALS** around the end of the semester.

"We had our holiday semi-formal in Staunton this year," said sophomore Alicia Payne. "It was so nice to see everyone dressed up for the night and the holiday."

Students returned home during Thanksgiving to search the stores for the perfect dress or comb the closets of their closest friends in search of **GOWNS** they had worn in the past.

"Between all my friends and I, we never have to buy another dress again. We all have so many that we never have to go out and buy a new dress. It's fun to wear other peoples' clothes," said junior Amanda Collins.

# Must See TV

*Thursday night television gave students an excuse to put the books away*

by AMANDA SCHELL

Will Dr. Mark Greene and Dr. Susan Lewis profess their love for one another? Why did Jerry dump his fiancée? Is Chandler really gay? Who the heck is Susan and where did she "suddenly" come from? The answers to these questions could all be found in three joyous hours of television on Thursday nights — NBC's "Must See TV."

While Thursday night was a night for partying on many college campuses, a new tradition has emerged in recent years — the RITUAL of Thursday night television. Not since the heyday of Saturday Night Live has America seen such devotion to a night of television. JMU students are no exception to the phenomenon. Clusters of students gathered around TV sets weekly to enjoy *Friends*, *Seinfeld*, *Suddenly Susan* and *ER*.

"We never miss it," said sophomore Linda Hughes. "My friends and I all crowd around my TV on beds and futons and WATCH it together. It's a tradition now. We even watch repeats."

This year saw a few changes in the THURSDAY night line-up. *Caroline In the City* moved to Tuesday to make room for Brooke Shields' new show *Suddenly Susan*. The show fared well in the ratings, but student opinion didn't necessarily agree. "I don't think it's funny," said senior Rikki Moncrieff. "I mean Brooke is hot and all, but she isn't that funny. I am glad to see that Judd Nelson has found work again."

Singing the theme song to *Friends*, Sophia Antzoulatos, Jen McLaren and Kelly Yankowski entertain the crowd at the Blue Foxx. "I'll Be There For You," sang by The Rembrandts, was a popular song, in part due to the show's popularity.



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Flipping channels during a commercial break, these students try to catch the score of the game before *ER* continues. Many students scheduled activities, classes and social gatherings around the television line-up.

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The budding ROMANCE between Ross and Rachel on *Friends* was the storyline to watch this season. Many students were relieved to see the lovebirds finally get together, and stunned when the relationship suddenly ended.

"Rachel. My friends and I are absolutely OBSESSED with her. We cut out the milk ad she was in and have plastered it all over our suite. She is a beautiful woman," said sophomore Brian Hazzard.

*ER*, prime-time television's number one show, also had a big change this year when one of the big STARS left the show.

Senior Brad Rash said, "My roommates and I always watch *ER*. When Sherri left, we couldn't believe it. I just can't believe that she and Goose are never going to get together."



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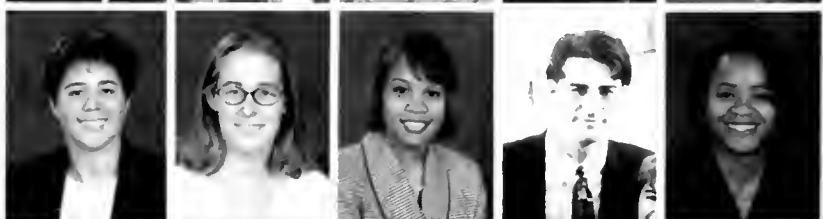
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# The Valley

*The Shenandoah Valley provided students with outdoor opportunities*

by NICOLE STEFFEY

The Shenandoah Valley provided the campus of JMU with a **SPLENDID** backdrop. With mountains on all sides, Harrisonburg was the perfect place for students to enjoy majestic sunsets, incredible colors in fall and beautiful snowfalls in the winter.

Students who enjoyed the outdoors had so many opportunities surrounding them. Endless Caverns, Skyline Caverns and Luray Caverns were popular places to go to enjoy nature. "The caverns are so incredible. I love to go there and walk around and see the amazing things that **NATURE** provides us with," said sophomore Christina Zechman.

Students who liked hiking, skydiving, snow skiing and rock climbing could easily find places to accommodate their hobbies. The nearby Shenandoah National Forest, Massanutten, Redish Knob and Afton Mountain were some of the most popular places students went to get **OUTDOORS**.

"We went hiking one Saturday. It was two miles straight up. I thought I was going to die on the way up, but once we got to the top it was worth it. You can see for hundreds of miles," said sophomore Carolyn Reams.



Rock climbing up a mountain, Jason White looks out on the scenic Valley below him. Areas such as Redish Knob, Wintergreen and Luray Caverns presented students with numerous options for outdoor activities.

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"I love to go rock climbing. I love to push my body and to get out and enjoy the **FRESH AIR**. After I've made it to the top of a cliff I feel renewed," said junior Erin Callahan.

Spending time outdoors was popular among clubs and organizations and among couples looking for some bonding time.

"My boyfriend surprised my one Saturday by showing up with a **PICNIC** lunch. We drove up to Skyline Drive and spent a quiet afternoon together. It was so romantic," said junior Caroline Jenkins.

Buckhill Lodge and Wintergreen were also popular getaways for students in search of the great outdoors.

Every now and then, students took a break from the daily routine of classes and work and headed for the beauty and serenity of nature.

Jessica Cole, Nicole Steffey, Denise Scipel, Meredith Linder and Kate Springer enjoy a day at Humpback Mountain. The Valley provided numerous opportunities for students who enjoyed rock climbing and hiking.



Selgas

# All Four Years

*They shared a room freshman year and they're still together!*

by AMY KELLER

One of the scariest things about college is the first-year mystery ROOMMATE. For students who allow themselves to be randomly paired with another student, the experience can be traumatic and sometimes horrifying. There are times, however, when the university's system makes a perfect match and the roommates remain together for the duration of their college careers.

Despite the horror stories of students who get stuck with the "nightmare roommate," there are times that two strangers live together freshman year and GET ALONG so well that they decide to stay together.

"We both got along so well the first year and became really good friends," senior Jennie Kang said. "We've never had any real serious conflicting problems with each other."

"Jennie has become one of my best friends now," said senior Amy Feezor, Kang's roommate since freshman year. "It's amazing how close we have become."

Although sometimes the university does make a good match, some students prefer to ease into college by choosing to live with a RELIABLE friend from high school.

Seniors Jen Turczyn and April Spotts spend time together in their freshman-year suite. The roommates, who lived together in Weaver Hall their first years, have enjoyed each others company for the last four years.



Seniors Jeff Kaminsky, Greg Wilson and Brad Sandella lived together with their fourth roommate, Pat Danaher, in a suite their freshman year. The four have shared good times over the years and hosted many parties in their Hunter's Ridge apartment.

"Why bother messing around with those information sheets when you know you will get along with a friend from school?" Senior Amy Carmichael said. "Even if things don't go as well as you think they will, it's still nice not having to play the game of chance. Anyway, it worked out great for me."

Even when the university does make a bad MATCH initially, there are times when a student moves from one room to another early during his or her freshman year and discovers a friendship with the new roommate.

"We were placed together by chance and it worked out better than we could have ever imagined," said senior Jen Turczyn. "We've been roomies ever since. I'd like to thank whoever put us together."





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# Changing Face

*As the next century approached, the campus itself underwent change*

by NICOLE STEFFEY

Most students at JMU quickly became used to living with change. From the **RESTRUCTURING** of the curriculum to allowing freshmen to live in HoJo's, students were constantly forced to adapt to new things. As JMU began preparing for the next century, the campus itself was forced to undergo a variety of changes.

Over Parents Weekend, students strolling leisurely near Newman Lake were greeted with a new sight. A **FOUNTAIN** was placed in the center of the lake. "I was riding the bus to class on Monday after Parents Weekend and suddenly I realized that the ducks weren't alone anymore. There was this huge stream of water," said sophomore Christine Dahlquist.

Not long after the semester began, the **CROSSWALK** in front of Anthony Seeger Hall was removed under orders from the City of Harrisonburg. The street itself was ground up and the old sidewalk leading down to the building was removed and replaced with grass. Students were expected to walk down to the light at Grace Street. However, many students chose not to adapt to this unwelcome change. Most students continued to cross South Main Street where the crosswalk had once been. "Taking away the crosswalk a bad idea. It turned crossing the street into a game of **FROGGER**," said junior Nancy Birch.



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Crossing South Main Street during a break in the traffic, these students continue on their way to Anthony Seeger. Despite the removal of the cross walk between the two sides of campus, students did not break old habits.

The ducks swim near the new fountain that was placed in the middle of Newman Lake just before Parents Weekend. The fountain was built in the lake, not only for aesthetics, but also to help aerate the water.



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More change took place in November as **MR. CHIPS**, the campus convenience store, underwent renovations. A new front was put on the building, and the creek bed running alongside the building was secured. The renovations were due in part to the flooding that damaged the store in January 1996.

Also in November, a new building was erected. The **NEW RESIDENCE HALL** was built on the far side of the campus, near Price Club. The dorm further marked the trend toward extending the campus across the highway. The building was opened to residents during spring semester.

"We're growing so fast that it is really amazing," said sophomore Rick Long.

# Parking It

*So many cars. so few spaces. Parking on campus could be a nightmare*

by LIZ THOMPSON

For many students finding **LEGAL** parking on campus ranked somewhere between pop quizzes and 8 a.m. classes. Driving to class for many commuter students was not even an option.

With only seven parking lots available to over 3,000 students, **FIGHTING** for a parking space was a daily chore.

Parking permits were handed out throughout the year. Permits were available for all off-campus students and on-campus students who were sophomores, juniors and seniors. Freshmen were not allowed to have cars on campus.

Parking **TICKETS** were handed out everyday. Many students quickly became familiar with the gut-wrenching feeling of pulling that long white slip of paper off of their windshields.

"I left my car in the wrong lot accidentally for two days! It was painful to part with that **TWENTY DOLLARS**," said sophomore Julie Moore. New "no parking" signs were placed in a variety of places at the beginning of the school year to discourage students from parking illegally. Orange cones were placed outside Warren Hall to keep students from parking in the bus unloading zone. Because of the tighter restrictions, students were forced to come up with new, creative places to park.

"I pulled my car up on the sidewalk outside my dorm one afternoon because I was loading in my luggage for a weekend trip. I was gone for five minutes. When I came back, I had a ticket. Someone must have been waiting, in the bushes, for me to walk away from my car so they could give me a ticket," said junior Tami Wright.

Finding the perfect spot on campus, this student easily parks the motorcycle in a designated spot. Some students found alternatives to the bus and cars in order to avoid the parking crunch during class hours.



Molotowsky



Finding illegally parked cars, sophomore Dave Nuff tickets this car parked behind Wayland Hall during restricted hours. Parking ticket fines served as an important source of revenue for the University.

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"I have gotten so many parking tickets I have lost count. I've saved all the yellow copies. I want to keep them as **MEMENTOS** of my college career," said senior Tim Walters.

Although students continued to complain about parking situation, many continued to drive to class.

"That's why I used the bus," said sophomore John Lee. "It was convenient and saved me the daily hassle of finding a parking spot. Besides, I didn't want to park in a gravel pit, anyway."



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# Simeon Switch

*A new e-mail system helped students to speed on the information highway*

by CARRIE MCCABE

When the administration changed the e-mail system from last year, the whole campus seemed to PANIC. Many returned to school ready to get hooked up to the system to keep in touch with friends for free. But, when trying to get into the system, they found it took a lot more work than it did last year. "Just when I thought I had the VAX mastered, they changed the system on me and I had to start from scratch all over again," said sophomore J. L. Avery.

Upon arriving in the fall, students found their old VAX programs had been replaced with notices describing the new mail account. For some, setting up this new account was a piece of cake and they were corresponding with friends in no time. For others, however, just making a new password was like brain surgery and several trips to the computer HELP DESK were necessary.

The new system was quite a change from last year's e-mail, but it was an UPGRADE that the university felt was needed. Some of the most common complaints last year were that the system was too slow and didn't have many features. Plus, the VAX mail system was OLD, basically unchanged since 1983.



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After using the VAX for three years, this student, like many other seniors, found it inconvenient to learn a whole new system. Although Simeon caused headaches at first, the program was more user friendly than the VAX.

Sophomore Wendy Crocker bites her nails as she tries to log on to the new Simeon e-mail system. Many students struggled with the new system at the beginning of the year. The Help Desk put out fliers that explained how to set up student accounts.



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Once students learned how to use the new system, Simeon provided a quick and easy way to communicate with friends. Simeon brought many improvements, such as the ability to let users access their mail from different locations — whether from home, office or computer lab. Operations such as deleting and printing e-mail were also made easier by the upgrade.

Though for some it may have taken a while to understand, the NEW e-mail system definitely seemed well worth the time and patience. Once mastered, communication never seemed so easy!

# Can I Stay?

*For those who just really weren't ready to leave ... there was fifth year*

by KATE SPRINGER

For many students, college is a great place. A lot of students like college so much that they **NEVER** want to leave. Then, at the end of four years, they wave a tearful good-bye to their beloved alma mater. And some stay longer.

For some students, four years of college was not enough to complete their curriculum. They became fifth-year seniors.

Fifth-year seniors stayed for a variety of different reasons. Jed Springer, an accounting information systems major, stayed because he changed his major during his senior year and needed to take some extra classes. "I was an accounting major and I changed to accounting information systems so I had to stay an **EXTRA** semester. But JMU's a great place, so it wasn't that big of a sacrifice."

Other students stayed **LONGER** because of multiple majors. "I am a triple major in English, religion and sociology. Needless to say, I'm going to stick around JMU for quite a while," said fifth-year student Megan Wright.

But for some students, staying at JMU for an extra year is not such a fortunate thing. Sara Smith, an international business major, was one of these students.

"My parents and I only **PLANNED** on my being at college for four years. When I went to Spain my junior year, I fell a little bit behind, so now I have to stay for an extra semester. My budget's a little tight right now since this wasn't expected."

Springer, a former Marching Royal Duke, was not completely unhappy to be staying for an extra semester. "I spent four years playing the drums with the MRDs. It was really **EXCITING** to sit on the sidelines with all of the students for the first time since junior high," Wright said. "Five years seems like such a long time. It just makes me wonder what I'll be doing after the next five years. Maybe I'll still be at JMU!"

Meghan Coperich, a fifth-year senior, poses with several friends. Coperich stayed an extra year to complete her student teaching requirement for her education minor.



Fifth-year senior Scott "Ogre" Colston, pictured at the right, greets a friend on the Quad. Fifth-year seniors got to enjoy one more year of classes, friends and fun.



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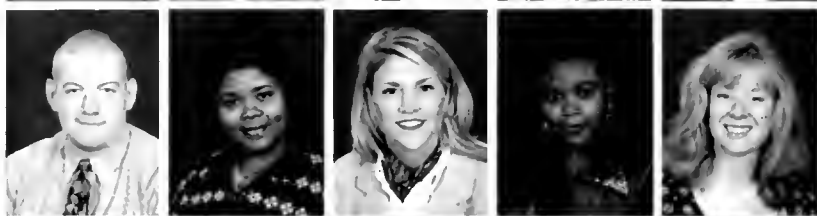
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# No P.O. Boxes

*Student body increase forced off-campus students to give up mailboxes*

by AIMEE FRADETTE

Moving off campus for students is a BIG deal and a new experience for upperclassmen. An apartment, house or townhouse means leaving the dorm life and all the rules, and finally having your own room and living space. However, off-campus living is not without problems. For example, the mail system for JMU has always been an expected tradition. Everyone knew when they came to JMU that they would be given a post office box that they would share with another student for all four (or five) years here at school. But this year that TRADITION changed for off-campus students. "I was shocked to hear that we no longer had a post office box this year," exclaimed junior Heather Brite.

It was not a surprise that this new way of distributing the mail for JMU took place. Because the number of freshmen accepted for the 96-97 school year was high, there was simply not enough room for everyone to have a mailbox, so off-campus students were the first to lose their boxes. This created confusion for many students. "I had to tell everyone my new address and I still received a lot of mail late or marked return to sender. My birthday gifts were late this year because my friends sent my PACKAGES to my old address," explained junior Ali Farmer.

Organizations and clubs had to decide how to contact the majority of JMU students living off campus. "If we wanted to get information out to students about our organization we couldn't just stuff mailboxes because half of the upperclassmen didn't hear about it," said senior Jill Rushman.

Of course, the mail room at JMU was never just a place to pick up MAIL. "I miss going to the mailroom with friends and meeting up with people to socialize," said senior Robin Bonato. Nevertheless, some students looked at the positives. "I prefer having all my mail sent to my apartment because it takes longer for mail to process through the JMU mail room," claimed junior Brandon Rop.

There was simply not enough room for everyone to share a six by eight by twelve inch space in the mailroom.



This on-campus student picks up a package at the mail room. Off-campus students received packages at their apartments. The once bustling campus mail room was half as full.

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James Nichols turns the combination on his mailbox. Fewer students received mail on campus, allowing many on-campus students to have a box to themselves. Clubs and organizations were unable to send free "campus mail" to commuter students.

# Snowy Holiday

*For three weeks students relaxed and recovered from fall semester*

by NICOLE STEFFEY

Three glorious weeks. NO WORK piling up. No roommate snoring in the middle of the night. No professors handing out pop quizzes. No mystery meat from D-Hall. Dec. 14 marked the beginning of a long-awaited freedom. After 15 weeks of classes most students were more than ready to get away.

Before the lines of cars could pack Interstate 81, students had to struggle through a long week of final exams. Junior Amanda Schell said, "By the 14th week of class I was ready to get out of here. By that time I'd already finished five papers, endless numbers of tests and three or four projects. FINALS week was the last straw. Once I made it through those long five days, I was more than ready to vegetate for three weeks."

Over winter break most students were HOMEWARD bound to spend the holidays with family and friends. "I love going home at winter break because when I arrive our house is all decked out in Christmas decorations and my mom has always baked something absolutely wonderful. It is so heavenly to go from being so stressed out over finals to being in the cozy comforts of home," said sophomore Jessica Strickland.

Senior Amy Freezor went to New York City over winter break where she went to a taping of Late Night with David Letterman.

Many students used the three weeks to travel to new places with family and friends.



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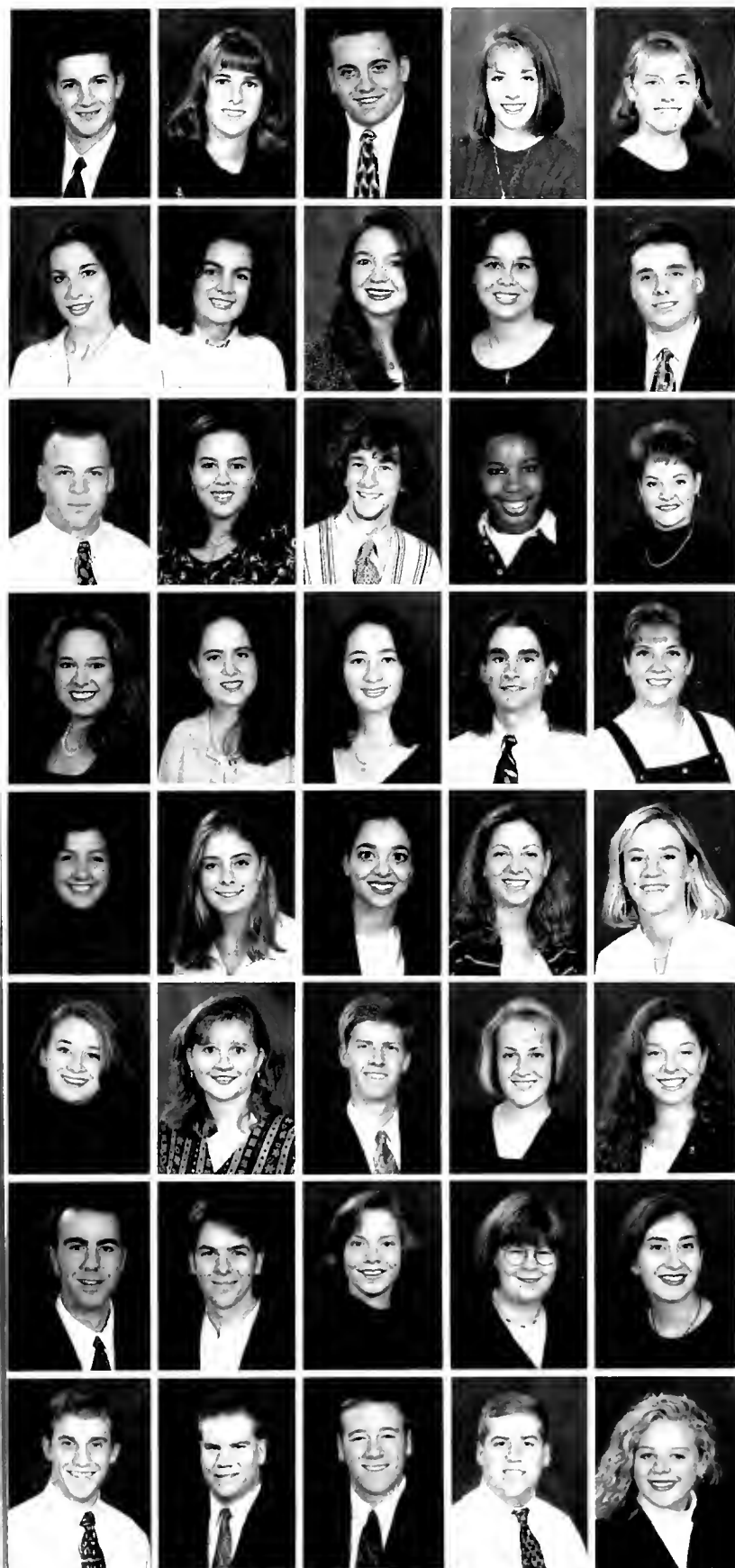
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While many students spent their vacations away from JMU, senior Paul Ericson performed to a packed Convocation Center as a member of the Pep Band. The Pep Band played for the crowd during all home basketball games, including during vacations and holidays.

This year students left for Thanksgiving break on Nov. 26 and only two weeks after returning were headed home again for winter BREAK. In years past there have been at least three weeks separating the holidays. "It was so weird this year. I felt like Thanksgiving and Christmas were right on top of each other! We got back after Thanksgiving and it was time to get right back in the car and go home for winter break," said sophomore Kate Springer.

For some winter break was more than the traditional holiday fare. Some took advantage of the FREE TIME to experience new things. "My family decided not to give gifts and instead went on a Caribbean cruise. It was weird not celebrating in the traditional way, but I had a great time," said sophomore Denise Seipel.





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# Musical Talents

*Talent and entrepreneurship leads to formation of two new groups*

by LAURA THACHER

It was not uncommon to look down your dorm hallway after hearing the sound of the traditional tune "Happy Birthday." Upon request, a student run group of SINGERS performed their unique rendition of the birthday tune to the music of the Hallelujah Chorus.

This happy birthday singing telegram service was founded and directed by sophomore Sherlee Huang and is sponsored by the Keyboard Association of the School of Music. Members of this service come from a variety of different majors including business, ISAT, music education and health sciences.

Although approximately 50 singers were in the group, only 16 sang at one time. Members would surround the person receiving the TELEGRAM and would serenade them. Afterwards, recipients were given an individualized happy birthday certificate and a round of applause.

Junior Shannon Hoard, a member of the singing group said, "Many people have taken advantage of our new singing group. It is not only a unique gift, but a chance to surprise and perhaps embarrass someone who is special to you on their special day."

Happy birthday telegrams cost only five dollars and were popular with friends, families and faculty.

Another NEW musical group that made its debut this year was the JMU A Cappella Singers. The group per-



Members of the JMU A Cappella Singers happily pose before a performance. The group was started this year and made their debut during a holiday concert at Anthony-Seeger Hall.

Huang

Members of the Happy Birthday Singing Telegram Service pose for a group photo in front of the music building. The group charged five dollars to students and faculty members wishing to send a singing telegram to a friend.



Huang

formed its first concert in Anthony-Seeger Hall. They performed a variety of holiday pieces including Silent Night and Deck the Halls.

The group was composed of 23 singers who went through an extensive audition process. Sophomore Lindsay Gray said, "This ensemble has provided many great opportunities to make new friends while doing what we like to do best...sing!"

Huang, founder of the group, said, "I wanted to offer a positive and FULFILLING musical experience to motivated students who wanted to continue their interest in a madrigal-like ensemble."

The introduction of both groups went to prove that if a club didn't already exist at JMU, students could always band together and start a new organization on their own.

# In The 'Burg

*Local hangouts: from Kline's to Wal-Mart to country line dancing*

by KATHY SELGAS

When students refer to the town of Harrisonburg, it is almost as if they are talking about an ENTIRELY different world. Sophomore Reshma Shetty said, "Stepping off campus grounds is stepping into a completely different atmosphere." The location presents students with an array of activities. Once students start exploring the town, they soon find their favorite hangouts.

Freshman Lara Kravitz said, "I enjoy getting off campus and going out to dinner with my friends." Just getting on the bus or walking somewhere different gives students a needed change of scenery. "Sometimes my friends and I put on our rollerblades and skate downtown on a Saturday afternoon. We look in all the shops and end up finding really cool places," said sophomore Ken Scully.

Many students journey to Kline's Dairy Bar for a cold treat on HOT days. Sophomore Kelly Ugliarolo said, "The home-made ice cream is delicious. I highly recommend Peanut Butter Chocolate."

On weekends students enjoy relaxing, dancing, shopping and dining out. DOWNTOWN Harrisonburg offers JM's Bar and Grill, Dave's Taverna, Spanky's and The Little Grill. The Round-Up, a country-line DANCING place, gave lessons for the first hour and then played music for the remainder of the evening. "I was actually amazed by how nice everyone there was to us. They were so eager to teach us new dances when we really didn't have a clue," said sophomore Denise Seipel.



Town and Campus Records offered new and used CDs at prices students could afford. The store is located in downtown Harrisonburg along with several other stores which cater to student needs.

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Students listen and dance to a band playing at The Office, a local restaurant and nightclub. The club hosted many bands and local events including a drag show every Sunday night.



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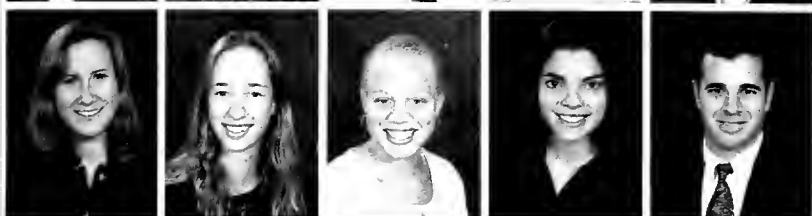
There are various organizations that students are involved in which are specifically for the benefit of the Harrisonburg community. Some students VOLUNTEER at the hospital and in the schools. Junior Ashley Rosenvans said, "I love working with the kids at Spotswood Elementary. It's hard to believe that we were ever that young. Being with the kids gives me somewhat of a reality check. It's not just classes and exams. The learning that goes on outside of the classroom is what benefits us most."



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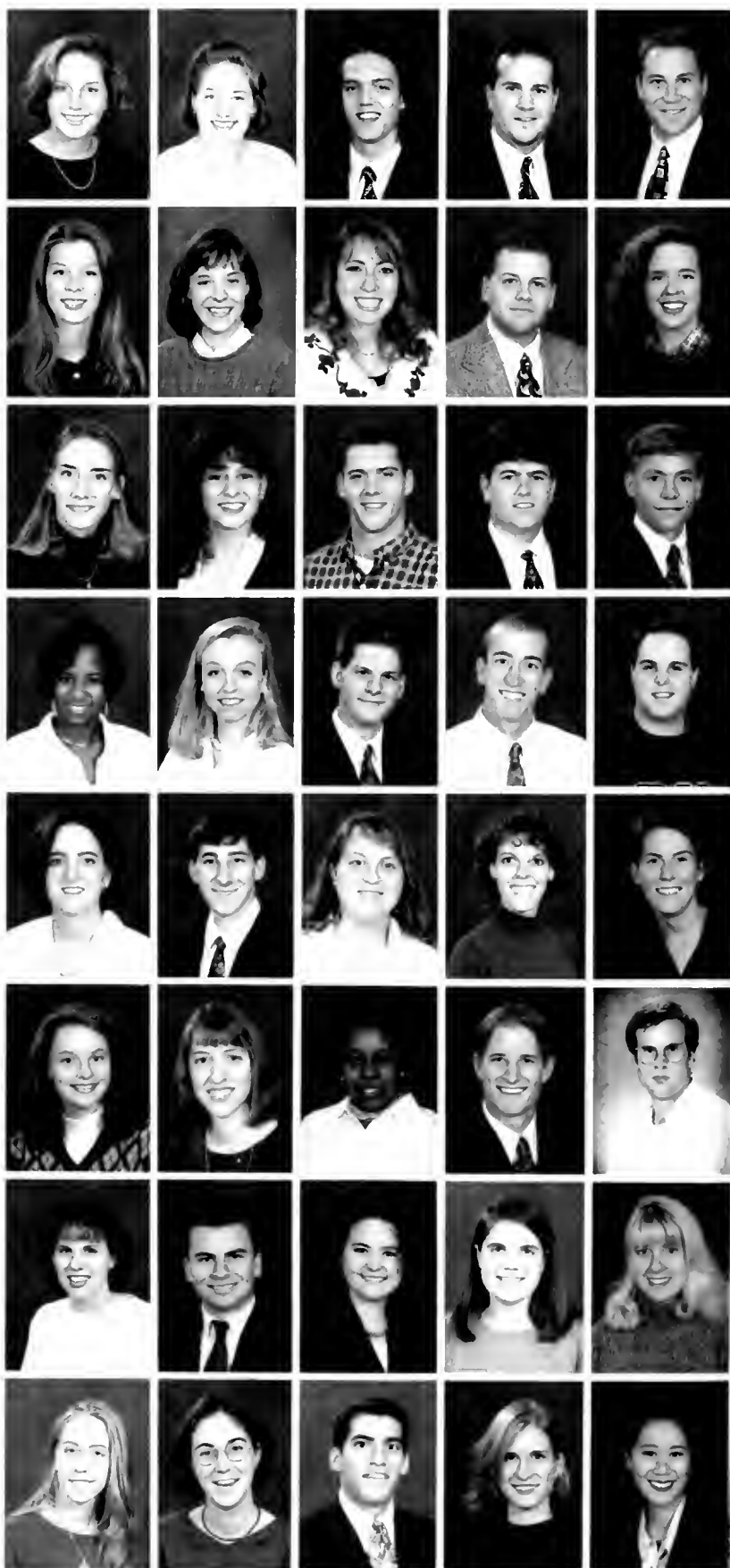
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# Warren Hall

*Warren Hall celebrated 25 years of providing student services*

by ERIN BINNEY & CHRIS AGRESTO

Warren Hall celebrated its 25th anniversary this year. Named in HONOR of Percy H. Warren, a former dean of Madison College, Warren Hall was completed in 1971 for use as a student activities center. It has offered many important resources over the years and continues to house many JMU facilities including the bookstore, post office, information desk, box office, airport lounge, dining facilities, and many university offices and meeting rooms.

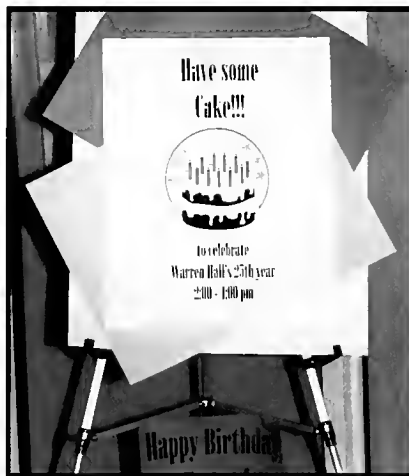
The JMU community gathered on Nov. 6 to celebrate Warren Hall's ANNIVERSARY. Dave Barnes, associate director of the university center, said the motivation for the celebration was the campus center's value to the community. "This building has meant so much to this college in terms of services it provides students — whether it is sitting in the lounge, checking mail or registering for classes," he said.

According to Barnes, representatives from each of the eight offices presently centered in Warren Hall helped to organize the EVENT, which included selected memorabilia that was displayed in the Highlands Room and in the third-floor lobby from 2 to 4 p.m.

The Warren family joined students and faculty in celebrating Warren Hall's 25 years. The hall was named after Percy H. Warren, a former dean of the college, in 1971.



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Signs posted around Warren Hall invited students to participate in Warren Hall's birthday celebration. Hundreds of students and faculty members attended the party held on the third floor on Nov. 6.

At an awards ceremony held during the CELEBRATION, President Ronald Carrier noted that students are comfortable with the building. "Departments and buildings may come and go, but Warren Hall has always been focused on student services," he said.

Student Government Association president David Baker presented framed pictures commemorating Warren Hall's 25 years to several honored guests including former directors of the university center, two of PERCY WARREN's daughters, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Freshman Scott Abbott agreed that Warren Hall is a valuable facility for the JMU community. "It's a beautiful place and I hope it will be here for another 25 years," he said.

# Mr. and Ms. Right

*Instead of worrying about the weekend, they're planning for their lives*

by JACQUELINE COOK

Boasting a population of over 12,000 students, JMU should be the prime place to meet that perfect someone, right? Not necessarily!

"I will be graduating in May," said senior Angie France, "and, after four years, I have given up any hope of finding Mr. Right at JMU!" There are a few success stories, however, and some **COUPLES** will be forever grateful to JMU for bringing them together.

Niki Lindgren, a junior, met Craig Williams at the end of her freshman year and, on **VALENTINES DAY**, the couple celebrated two years of dating. "I wasn't looking for anyone," says Lindgren. "I believe that it's only when you're not looking that you find that special someone."

Lindgren and Williams met at JMU through a mutual friend. Other couples, however, have actually met on **TRIPS** away from school. Heather Kelliham met her fiancé, Mike Fleck, at Virginia Beach, even though both were students at JMU. Kelliham, too, believes that you meet Mr. Right when you're not looking and when you least expect it!

While meeting Mr. or Ms. Right at JMU is a major challenge, another obstacle occurs when one member of the "perfect couple" graduates. Both Williams and Fleck graduated from JMU last year and entered the job market. And,



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Seal it with a kiss! Aaron Lineberger and Rachael Wood show each other how special they are to one another. College was a time for developing many different types of relationships with people, including friendship and love.

although both couples have stayed together and even grown **CLOSER**, major changes ensued. Lindgren and Kelliham both say it is easier now to concentrate on studies and get things accomplished. Lindgren believes that the individual growth she has experienced since Williams graduated has been beneficial to her and to their relationship. "I don't think you can give to someone else until you know and feel good about yourself," Lindgren said.

There are even some students whose special someone did not attend JMU but who have fond memories of special times spent here. Susanne Dobrick, a senior, was here with her boyfriend, Chip Beasley, on New Year's Eve, when he took her to Newman Lake, got down on his knees and **PROPOSED** to her. "JMU will always be extremely special to me for that reason," Dobrick says. "I'll never forget that night."

Tara Broce and Todd Borchers tie the knot. College is a time for many students to meet their lifelong mate. While some students found their soulmate right away, others spent all four years "shopping around" for that perfect someone to grow old with.



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# Road Tripping

*The radio blares, wind blows in your hair, open road is before you ...*

by LAURIE BUTTS

For most students returning to campus each fall is an **EXCITING** experience. They are happy to be back in the 'Burg, sleeping in the airport lounge or just hanging out on the Quad. But as weeks pass, tests come and go, work begins to pile up and the tension continues to build. There comes a time when all students want to do is **HIT THE ROAD**.

"My room is so small that the walls start to close in on me and I have to hightail it out of town," said sophomore Whitney MacDougal.

Road tripping is an integral part of any student's college **EXPERIENCE**. In most cases students need to escape from their troubles whether it's a big test or a "psycho" roommate. Another motivation for road trips was the chance to see friends from other schools. Some of the most popular destinations for weekend **TRIPS** were UVa., Virginia Tech, Radford and Washington, D.C.

When the weather warmed up and students wanted a little slice of sunshine, Virginia Beach and Ocean City became the hot destinations. Long distance love was also a big motivation when it came to traveling.

"My boyfriend lives in Richmond so I **GO** there a lot to see him. It is hard on my old car to make so many trips but it would be harder on me if I never got to see him," said junior Amy Doran.

Jonathan Kodack, Carrie Schiff, Mike White, Sandra Wright, Ben Finkelstein and Suzanne Hecht pose for a photo while hiking trails off of Skyline Drive. The scenic Valley gave students numerous places to take day trips.



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Senior Amy Keller smiles brightly from the front seat as she and her roommates embark on another journey. Half the fun of most road trips was simply getting to and from the ultimate destination.

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Concerts, festivals and other special events gave students an excuse to get out of town. The Foxfield races in Charlottesville always drew a big crowd rain or shine. Each year a few **ADVENTUROUS** souls made the 22-hour drive to collect beads at Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

No matter where they were headed, most students agreed that half the fun of road tripping was the ride itself. Good friends, good tunes and a 32-ounce caffeinated beverage helped make any journey enjoyable.

# Getting Mail

*From love letters to bills, students eagerly awaited the postman's arrival*

by CHRISTINE RAGOSTA

Ahhh, college... You're on your own. Every decision is up to you. You have no curfew. All the mail in your mailbox is addressed to **YOU!**

As a freshman away from home for the first time, the daily trips to the mailbox was an important **LINK** to the outside world. "I've got a girlfriend who lives in Colorado. We rely on mail to keep our relationship alive," said Logan McGuire. Newsy letters from home also helped many students assuage the pangs of homesickness.

**PACKAGE** slips posed exciting possibilities as well. Cookies, beverage, books, CDs and other assorted items made students anxiously await care packages from home. "My sister sent me Drakes' coffeecakes imported all the way from Connecticut. They were somewhat stale, but not yet moldy," said Molly Pohlig.

Students anxious to get mail sometimes had complaints about the JMU postal service. "It takes a long time to get mail from home. While it should take only a day or two, it takes four days for my mom's mail to get to me," said Raymond Carey. In early October the university gave control of JMU postal services to a private firm in hopes of making the mail service more **EFFICIENT**.



James Nichols bends down to open his post office box. Students were assigned a mail box during freshman orientation. Mail and packages were delivered to boxes throughout the day.

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Students wait in line at the JMU post office located in Warren Hall. The post office processed all student and departmental mail. The window was open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and was often the sight of long lines of lucky students awaiting a care package from home.



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In addition to traditional mail, students kept up with friends and family through e-mail. "I love e-mail. It is so much easier than sending real mail," said Brian Harris.

"There is nothing better than logging on to Simeon and finding 20 new messages. I am from Ohio and have friends at lots of different schools. E-mail allows us to **KEEP IN TOUCH** on a daily basis," said sophomore Denise Seipel.

Overall, mail was something all students loved — except when it meant the arrival of that month's bills.





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# Grab A Bite

*Market One, Megabytes and Pizza Peddlers added dining options*

by JEFF MORRIS

What is one of the most important aspects of daily life at JMU? Eating of course! JMU's Dining Services provided a variety of interesting, new places to EAT on campus.

For those with a taste for Mexican food, Amigos was located in the Highlands Room in Warren Hall. During fall semester, Amigos served tacos, chili, and other foods. "Amigos was a great break from D-Hall and Dukes," said freshman Erick Borda.

MARKET ONE opened at the beginning of the spring semester. It offered a variety of items in a food-court setting. Due to the overwhelming popularity of PC Dukes, Line 1 of Gibbons Hall was designated to house the new facility. The Healthy Choice gourmet deli served fresh deli sandwiches. The Casa Ortega served up tacos, burritos, nachos and taco salads for those with an appetite for Mexican, and Stone Willy's Pizza provided customers with gourmet pizzas. The one downside many students found was that a "punch" was not accepted at Market One.

Dining Services delivered up fresh, hot pizza to satisfy those late night cravings. PIZZA PEDDLERS biked all across campus, even to Howard Johnson's and the new Blue Ridge Hall, providing hand-tossed pies until



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This student munches on an apple from Let's Go. Dining services made moves to protect the environment by requiring students to purchase plastic take-out containers. The containers were recalled in January, however, and replaced by paper products.

1 a.m. Students could pay for their pizza with cash, Dining Dollars or FLEX. Sophomore Laurin Askew, a delivery person for Pizza Peddlers, said, "The worst part about delivering is after driving in the freezing cold or in the rain, the customers dig for pocket change as a tip."

MEGABYTES, located in the heart of the CISAT campus, was available for quick snacks between classes. Because of the distance of ISAT from the main campus, Megabytes provided hot dogs, bagels and other items for students who did not have the time to get back to lower campus.

While D-Hall and PC Dukes will likely remain the most popular places to eat on campus, Amigos, Market One, Pizza Peddlers and Megabytes quickly became favorites among all students.



R. Williams

Ordering a plate of Macho Nachos from Market One, senior Sean Mahal uses one of the many dining options on campus. The food court set-up and variety of food available at Market One attracted many students to its doors.

# Play Pick-Up

*A bunch of friends, a Sunday afternoon, a muddy field ... pick-up game*

by MITCHELL VAKERICS

When classes started to overwhelm students, many took a break and let OFF STEAM by playing a pick-up game at UREC.

UREC offered three courts solely for basketball, the most popular pick-up game. These courts were always available for use in the main gym during UREC operational hours. Bradley Petty, coordinator of intramural sports and open recreation at UREC, said that the busiest time for pick-up basketball games at UREC was from 5 to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday. Students who came to play during those hours often had to wait for a court, but most students agreed it was worth the wait.

There are many advantages to playing pick-up games over intramural sports. Intramural sports require a higher level of skill than pick-up games do. JMU students seemed to have an unwritten rule concerning skill level for pick-up basketball games at UREC, Petty said. Court three was reserved for COMPETITIVE PLAY, court four was for neutral play and court one was an overflow of both mediocre and competitive play.

Petty said, "If you're not a very good basketball player, you can still play pick-up games." You also didn't have to come with a TEAM already formed. Some students did, but more often than not they had to split up to play.

These students play a muddy game of football.

Rainy days were a perfect opportunity to go out and play. Pick-up games were also a terrific opportunity to meet new people. New friendships were being formed every day in the fields and on the courts.



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Winding up, this student pitches during a "friendly game" of baseball. Although pick-up games were not recorded in halls of fame, the play could quickly turn into a heated competition.

Sophomore Ryan Rees said, "It's fun playing pick-up games with your friends and competing against other people." However, most participants in pick-up games played for fun and were not overly concerned with winning.

UREC employed recreation assistants who were responsible for monitoring pick-up games. Their duties included supervising PICK-UP GAMES for fights and keeping objects off the playing floor. These were entry-level, paying positions for freshmen and sophomores.

UREC also offered volleyball, indoor soccer and hockey pick-up games and boasted an outdoor lighted astroturf field for flag football games.

Sophomore Ryan Delaney said, "If I'm upset about something, I go to UREC and play basketball. It usually makes me feel a lot better."



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# Feeling Sick

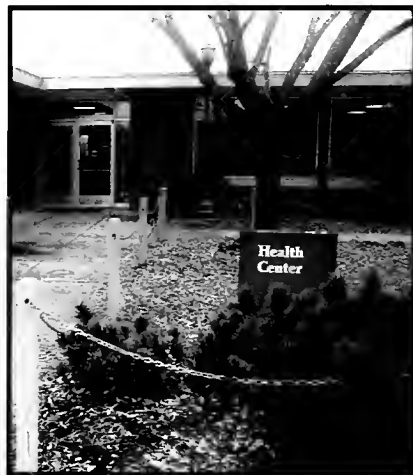
*First it's the sniffles and before you know it you're in the Health Center*

by KATIE WILMETH

There probably isn't a student on campus who hasn't woken up one morning feeling a little under the weather. A **SORE THROAT**, a splitting headache or a stuffed-up nose can all make for a lousy day. Most of these are minor sicknesses that were cleared up with a good night's rest. However, sometimes that nagging cough with a congested head just wouldn't go away. Without mom around, what was an ailing college student to do?

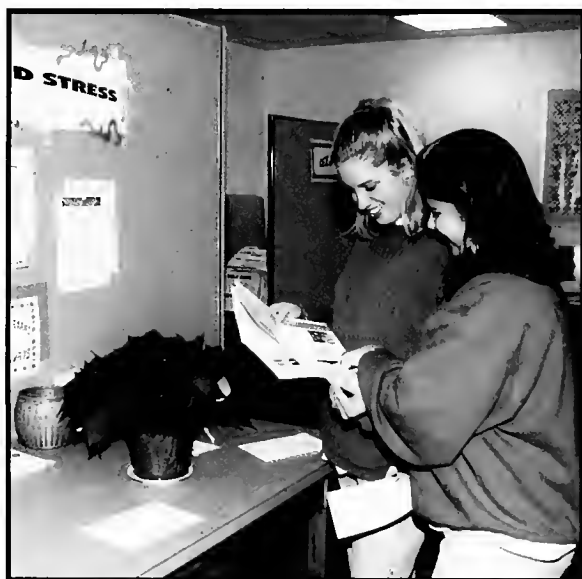
Throughout the school year many students found their way to the campus **HEALTH CENTER**. According to registered nurse, Terry Knicely, they could see 150 to 200 students on a busy day. The most common complaint was a sore throat. Freshman Lauren Peacock was one of those sore throat sufferers who paid a visit to the health center. "When I had a sore throat, I went to the health center and got it checked out. I found it very helpful. The nurse made sure it was nothing serious and then gave me the right medicine and advice on how to **CARE** for myself," said Peacock. Typically, most patients were sent home with Sudafed and Tylenol or Advil to clear up minor aches and pains or a common cold.

Many students assume the only function of the health center was to see sick patients. However, it was also a great place to find answers to health questions. The health education program was based out of the health center and was



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The Health Center was conveniently located in the center of campus, offering services to all students, faculty and administrative employees of the university. Late night and weekend hours helped those in need of medical assistance at all times.



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Reading the health material distributed by the Health Center, senior Janelle Mudge and a friend try to find the best way to cope with the added stress of finals week. Many students visited the center for health advice rather than medical treatment.

responsible for many of the programs students see on campus. Outreach programs such as Alcohol Awareness Week and AIDS Awareness Week are both sponsored by the health education program. Nancy Grembi, assistant director of health education and promotion, said, "**HEALTH EDUCATION** helps students become aware of positive lifestyle choices that enhance healthy living and well-being — not just now but forever. Students could also seek out peer educators at the health center to discuss concerns."

The health center provided students with a place to go to take care of all of their health needs. When students found themselves away from home with no doctor or mom's **CHICKEN SOUP**, the health center provided a place for reassurance and a remedy for anything from a cold to strep throat.

# Best Thing...

*What's the best thing about spending four years at JMU?*

by LEAH BAILEY

On any given day, we all seem to have something to complain about. Yet while Duke's and D-Hall may be too crowded to move in and while the smell from nearby chicken farms may cause us to choke, there is so much more to JMU that gives it its character.

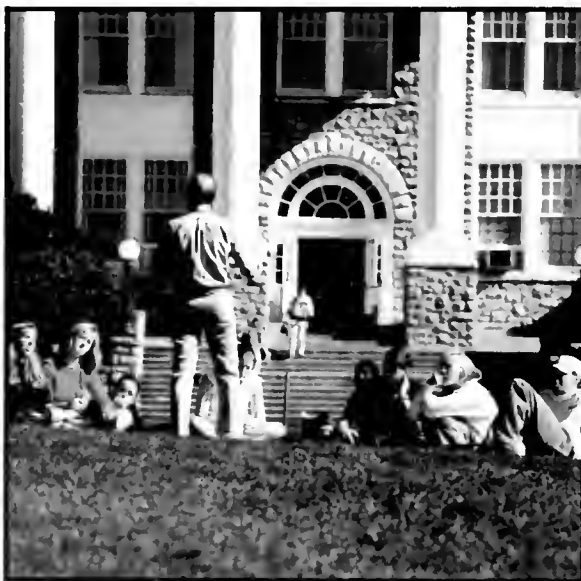
The things that give a school its true **IDENTITY** are its people and their lives. For junior Kimberlee Perry, the people at JMU is one reason she chose to come here. "Everyone is so friendly. It was the first thing I noticed when I came to visit." Jenny Rogers, a sophomore, said what attracted her was the variety of students. "There's so many different people, all from different backgrounds with different personalities. There aren't any major cliques and no one is the same."

Many students find the surrounding atmosphere and attitudes to be their **FAVORITE** characteristic. "JMU has a small school feel despite being so huge," said freshman Jeff Morris. Junior Christina Emerson enjoys the atmosphere because "there's such a great balance between academics, athletics and social life." Freshman Christy Haven agreed, adding that "even though it's a party school, it's cool because you're always partying with smart people."

Many students find happiness in some of the simpler things. The **CAMPUS** itself is a favorite of many. A resident

A professor holds class out on the Quad on a beautiful fall day. Many students sighted JMU's excellent faculty as the best thing about JMU.

Most professors were very willing to give extra help and tried to make class a fun learning experience.



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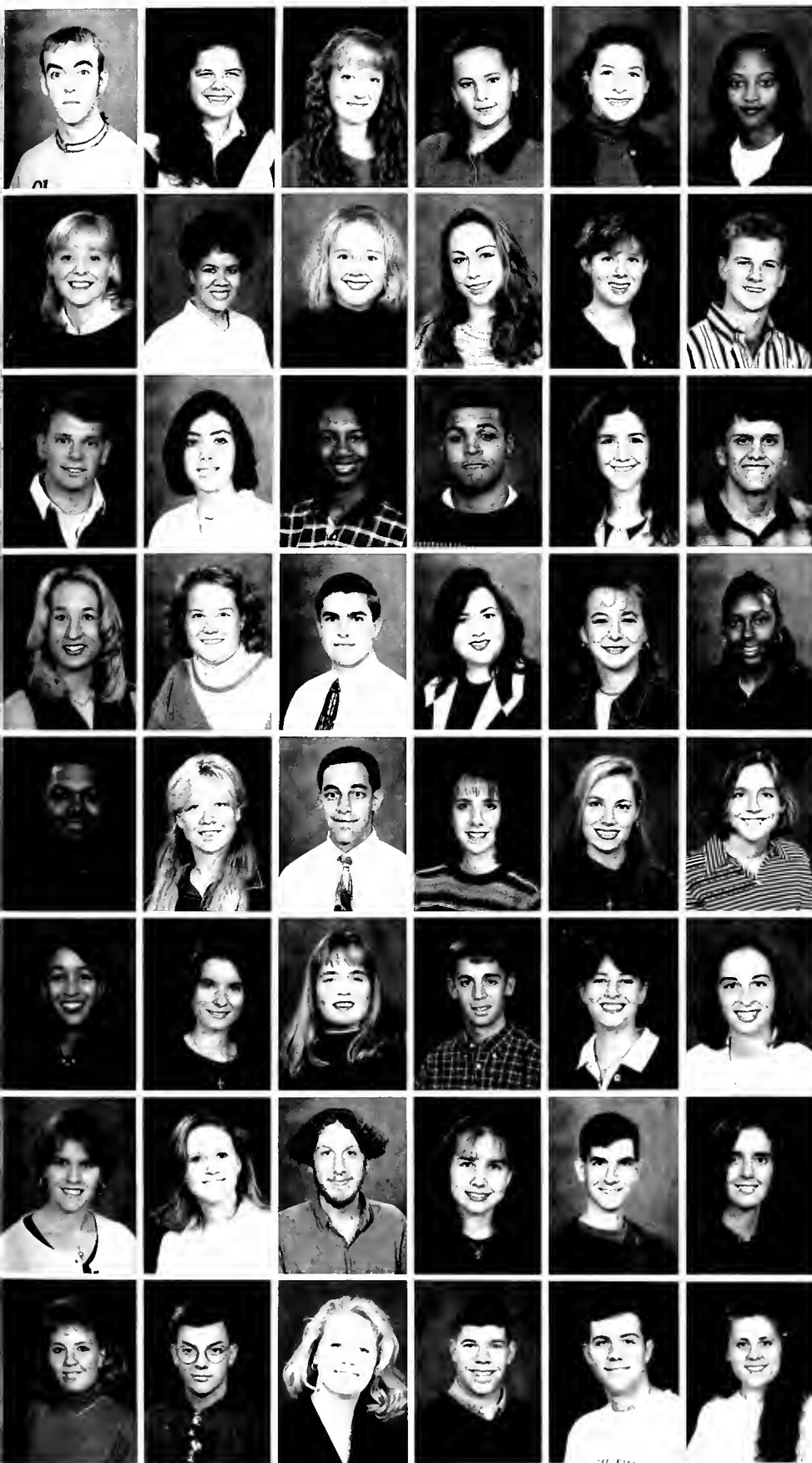


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Dr. Carrier has been a friendly face on campus for 26 years. His constant drive and vision have been helping make JMU the ultimate university.

of Wayland Hall, junior Becky Rehm finds the view of sunsets from her window to overcompensate for the loud trains passing by. "I really love the sunsets on the Quad with the light reflecting on the old buildings." Sophomore Mandy Bradley also cited the Quad as a favorite thing, particularly when it's been snowing, as well as the newly-installed fountain in Newman Lake. In fact, Bradley likes so much about the school that she got a volunteer job as a Student Ambassador for it. In addition to the scenery and grounds, Bradley finds pleasure in Mrs. Green's, peppermint patties in the vending machine and the ab rollers at UREC. Amy Hans, a sophomore, noted the variety of available cereal at D-Hall as a major plus for her, and junior Rachel Roswal mentioned Taylor Down Under as her favorite place.

While we often can get annoyed with some of our pet peeves at JMU, the positive far outweighs the negative in every category.



Owen Harleman  
 Adriane J. Harris  
 Leslie M. Hartzell  
 Jennifer A. Head  
 Suzanne Hecht  
 Carmen T. Hedgspeth

Amy M. Hicks  
 Michelle D. Hill  
 Brandy R. Hilliard  
 Marilyne H. Hodeau  
 Heather B. Houston  
 D. C. Hrbek

David M. Hutton  
 Selena D. Isabelle  
 DeAndrea C. James  
 Jason Jeffries-Glasgow  
 Tara A. Jensen  
 David W. Johnson

Sara L. Johnson  
 Laura C. Johnston  
 Brian M. Jones  
 Christine A. Jones  
 Kelly M. Jones  
 Leisha L. Jones

Ronald Jones  
 Bonnie M. Jordan  
 Jason M. Karlins  
 Michele L. Kaulback  
 Shannon L. Kearney  
 Jaime M. Keddie

LaTaya A. Keene  
 Jenifer A. Kelly  
 Kelly A. Kenneally  
 Brian L. Kerns  
 Lauren M. Kinberg  
 Amanda E. Kirby

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 Eric Larsen  
 Nell-Marie Laughland  
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 Brock A. Leonard  
 Austin Lewis  
 Melissa L. Libertini

Vickie R. Lilley  
 Maria I. Lindroos  
 Kimberly L. Livesay  
 George A. Louden  
 Jennifer M. Lyon  
 Michael W. Mafodda



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 Jennifer L. Malone  
 Jennifer L. Marold  
 Shabana Master  
 Kelly P. McCarthy  
 Kathryn S. McCauley



Ian P. McCrone  
 Kevin S. McGee  
 Erin T. McManamon  
 Valerie K. McMillan  
 Jason C. Meade  
 Cara S. Michel



Melissa L. Miller  
 Nedra D. Miller  
 Yvonne Miller  
 Mandy L. Minichiello  
 Noraizah Mohd-Nordin  
 Amy J. Moler



William T. Morris  
 Michelle L. Moyer  
 Stefanie A. Mumpower  
 Deron S. Murphy  
 Zeynep Mutluer  
 Jacqueline Y. Nathaniel



Sloan N. Neal  
 Christina Netzbant  
 Ryan L. Newell  
 B. Shay Nicely  
 Duke Dog  
 Bridget E. O'Laughlin



Roxanne O'Neill  
 Patricia C. Okolo  
 Rachel A. Olenick  
 Heather L. Olis  
 Kerry M. Owens  
 Melissa L. Palladino



Christal D. Pankey  
 Jennifer G. Park  
 George M. Parker  
 Eric A. Payne  
 Seth K. Peitler  
 Thomas W. Pendleton



# Sunny Break

*Seven days, sun, freedom...the perfect combination for a relaxing break*

by NICOLE STEFFEY

On a COLD winter day, students usually quickly shuffled their way to class. But on the last Wednesday in February, even the cold mist outside couldn't dampen the spirits of students who were anxiously counting down the minutes until Spring Break.

Spring Break HYPE began in early November when colorful flyers with pictures of tropical beaches littered the bulletin boards around campus. Students were PROMISED dream vacations in exotic locations at special student rates.

Southern Florida, the BAHAMAS, Cancun and Jamaica were among the more popular destinations.

"Eight of us piled into two cars and were on our way to Panama City," said junior Renee Macri. "We had such a great time laying on the beach and dancing in the clubs. We were lucky that it was warm and sunny all week."

Making PLANS, finding enough money and making down payments were just some of the HASSLES that some had to deal with. "It was a little annoying trying to coordinate the money and transportation. After we got there, though, and stuck our feet in the white sand, I knew that it was all worth it."

Some students were not lucky enough to have LUXURIOUS plans for the week-long holiday. "I was supposed to go to Florida with my roommate, but a week before break my wisdom teeth started aching so I had to go home and get them taken out instead. It wasn't my idea of a GREAT time. I couldn't wait to get back to school," said sophomore Keri Scully.

Other students made plans to return home for the week.

"I needed a break from everything. I just wanted to sit back and enjoy the power of having my own REMOTE CONTROL," said sophomore Ryan Green.

Despite the varying plans, most can agree that Spring Break was a time for relaxing and enjoying the much needed vacation.



Melissa Schanz, Laura Doun, Lindsay Martin and Kelly Keul pose for a picture on the beach at Rose Island, a private island off of the Nassau Bahamas. Many students took advantage of special student rates to the Caribbean and



Some students used their free week to help others. Members of Habitat for Humanity and local church organizations often traveled to destinations all over the United States to help build homes for the needy.

Diering

# Goin' My Way?

*Living without a car left students relying on the bus and the ride board*

by LAURIE BUTTS

Remember the day you turned 16? Remember dad handing you those car keys for the first time? Remember having your own **WHEELS**? Going wherever, whenever you wanted? For many JMU students that feeling was only a memory.

The university does not allow freshmen to have cars on campus. While a few chosen first-year students found ways to circumvent that **RULE**, most freshmen had to become reaccustomed to life without a car.

"I miss my car so much. I miss being able to go for long drives and listen to some good music while the wind whips my hair around," said freshman Missy McDonnell.

Many upperclassmen were also **PLAGUED** by not having a car at school. "My younger sister and I share a car, so when I go away to school she gets to keep it at home," said sophomore Keri Scully.

Students without cars had to rely on friends or the Harrisonburg **TRANSIT** System to get around in the 'Burg. "I really depend on my friends a lot to go places. It's hard though because if I need to do a Wal-Mart run I have to wait until someone else needs to before I can **HITCH** a ride," said sophomore Matthew Thomas.



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A student boards a Harrisonburg Transit bus. The buses serviced the entire city, including all the off-campus apartments and both lower and upper campus. Students without cars were forced to use the bus to commute.

This student walks to his next class with his bike in tow. Many students used bikes as a means of transportation. The lack of parking on campus made bicycles, skateboards and rollerblades the easiest and often fastest ways to get around.

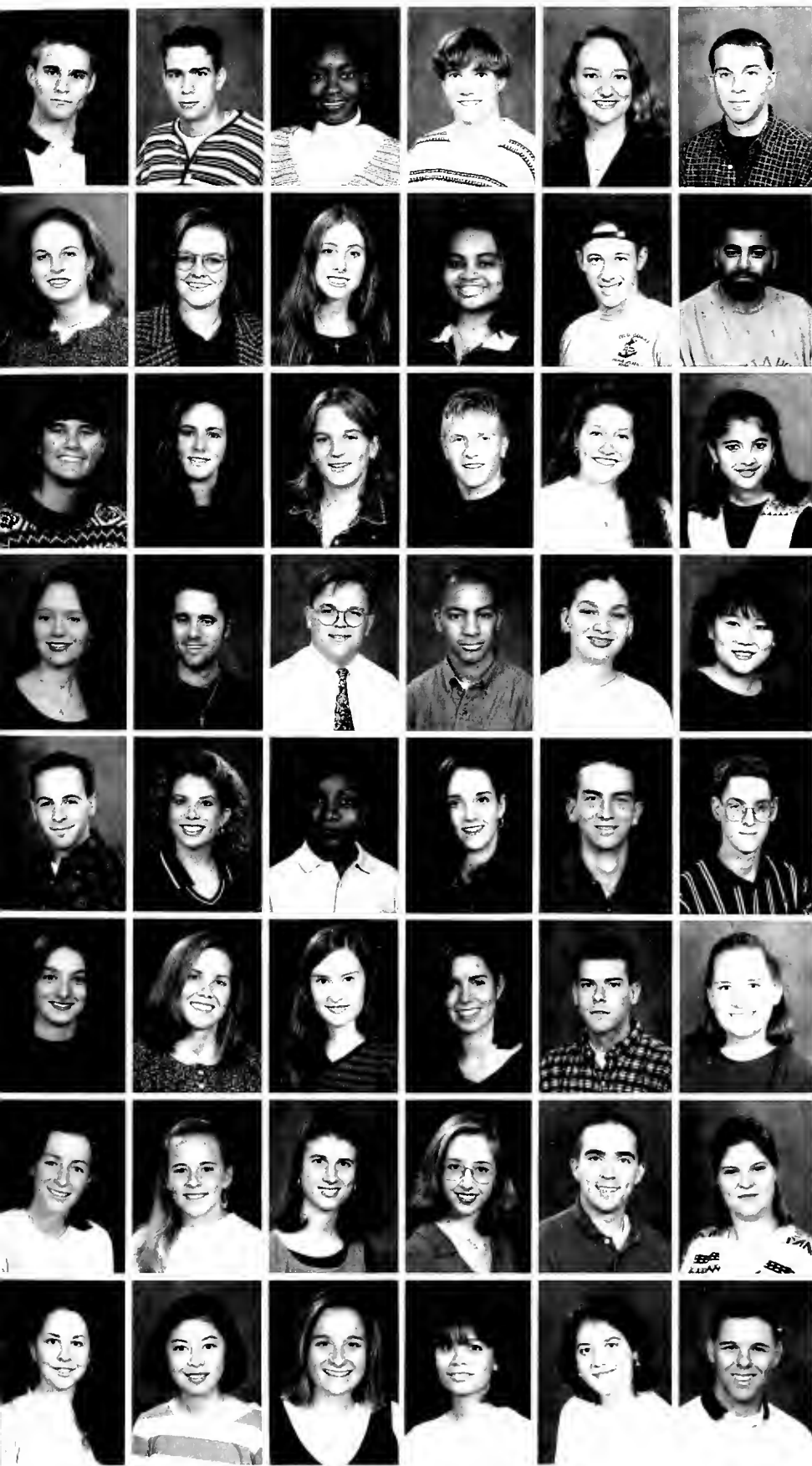


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"I hate having to depend on the bus because I've never been able to figure out the schedule. I tried to go to the mall once and got on the wrong bus. I ended up on the other side of Harrisonburg. I was so confused," said sophomore Tyler Stevens.

The ride board also helped many students without cars to get home, visit friends or simply **ESCAPE** from Harrisonburg. Most students filled out white cards requesting a destination and a travel date. Those more desperate to find a ride battled over whose sign could be the biggest and most colorful.





Brad C. Perry  
Geoff D. Perry  
Deia N. Person  
Chip Phillips  
Clara M. Phillips  
Todd Pickens

Elizabeth A. Piggott  
Jennifer D. Pippin  
Christina J. Pitrelli  
Patrice C. Pleasants  
Brian C. Poillon  
Mustafa Pooya

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Kristie G. Pugh  
Cassandra M. Quick  
Mike R. Radkowsky  
Lynn M. Ramsey  
Preeth R. Rao

Angela J. Rasmussen  
Jason S. Redding  
Erik A. Rhodes  
Xavier M. Richard  
Joy E. Richardson  
Amy L. Ridpath

John C. Roberts  
Lisa A. Roche  
Yvonne D. Rolle  
Renee L. Rookwood  
Franklin D. Rosenblatt  
Mark S. Ross

Rachel S. Roswal  
Susan C. Rowan  
Heather S. Rucker  
Heather M. Ruhlmann  
Christian C. Ryder  
Jennifer A. Saunders

Katie E. Saunders  
Cathy A. Schafer  
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Misty R. Schreiner  
Timothy W. Schwartz  
Melanie F. Seifert

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Aileen M. Sharp  
Rebecca C. Sherman  
Jeffrey G. Shifflett  
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Amber K. Showalter  
Sandra L. Shu  
Mira E. Signer  
Aminah J. Singleton  
Jina C. Smiley



Jennifer L. Smith  
Jennifer R. Smith  
Marycatherine R. Smith  
Matthew W. Smith  
Michele R. Smith  
Shannon E. Smith



Jennie M. Snelling  
Andrew J. Sorensen  
Mandi M. Sours  
Rebecca A. Sours  
Allyson L. Spacek  
Amy L. Springfloat



Ross C. St. Clair  
Christina L. Staples  
Nicole D. Steffey  
Angela M. Stepp  
C. Paige Sternberg  
Jarrod M. Stiles



Frank T. Stipe  
Judy M. Stone  
Russell D. Stone  
Katherine A. Sturm  
Geoffrey A. Sulanke  
Arun Sundar



Raj N. Sureja  
Jason L. Suter  
Karen E. Swartz  
Jason Swick  
Megan M. Swithers  
Alana A. Takeuchi



Christopher T. Taylor  
Shawn D. Taylor  
Heather L. Tees  
Michael C. Terry Jr.  
Adia C. Thompson  
Amanda D. Thompson



Garett M. Thornton  
Takayo Tomida  
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# Personalized

*Students strove to add a personal touch to apartments and dorm rooms*

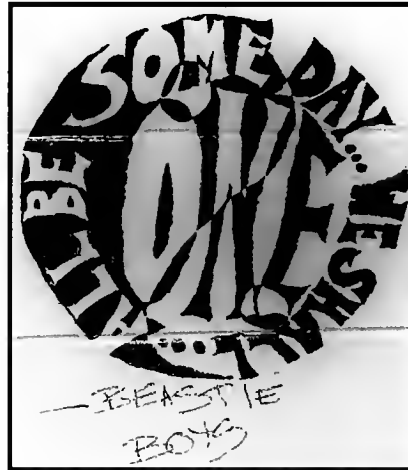
by ELIZA COPELAN

For many students their DOMICILE at JMU becomes their home away from home. In order to make dorm rooms or apartments feel as comfortable and cozy as home, many students personalized their living space in one way or another. Whether it was painting or drawing on the walls, hanging posters, or bringing favorite mementos that little piece of home could always change the feeling of a room.

"We brought these really COMFY chairs because we knew we would have room in our quad. It made things more cluttered and SQUISHY, so we felt more secure," said sophomore Jen Hamrock.

Many students decorated their rooms for different holiday seasons. "Together we decorated our suite with all kinds of holiday accents. It made us feel like we're at HOME, and the group effort helped us to get over our homesickness," said sophomore Melissa Reed.

Many people gave dorm rooms an added SPARKLE by painting or drawing on the walls. "It's nice to come into my suite and see my name on the wall along with all of the pictures drawn by my friends. Our walls have a little bit of everyone's PERSONALITY," said freshman Courtney Miller-Jones. Other students put up posters or favorite sayings. "Qualities of all of us are represented on our door by quotes and favorite words that we hung up," said sophomore Meaghan Wilds.



Molewski

"Someday we shall all be someone" reads a decoartion in a suite in Chappalear Hall. Many students with an artistic flare decorated their dorm rooms and apartments with murals and doodles that showed off their personality.



Rorwal

Junior Rachel Roswal's room shows how many students chose to decorate with pictures and mementos. Most students tried to bring things to school that made their dorm or apartment a little more like home.

Some students had trouble finding that PERFECT "thing" to make their place a homey environment. "For the first six weeks of school we couldn't find anything we really wanted to put up in our apartment. We sat around so depressed because we were always staring at blank walls. Thank God the poster sale finally came and we hung some beautiful Monet prints," said junior Amanda Schell.

# A New Home

*With nerves and excitement, transfer students made JMU home*

by LAURIE BUTTS

Over 500 transfer students began their college lives anew this year. Most transfer students cited discontent with their former school as the number one reason for changing schools. Many transfers also noted JMU's academic REPUTATION, location and relatively inexpensive tuition as reasons for a switch. "JMU seemed to offer a lot more than the private school I was going to," said senior Brooke Atkinson.

James Newton said, "I felt I could receive just as good an education at JMU as at Wake Forest, but with less financial STRAIN on my family."

Transferring always involved a little hassle and a lot of heartache. Students are placed in a new environment, guided only by a short orientation and expected to ADAPT to different classes, teachers and students. Sophomore Kristen Miles said the transition was "pretty smooth" despite having to find an off-campus apartment. Due to the overcrowding in on-campus housing, transfers are not guaranteed housing.

To help transfers get acquainted and fit in at JMU, a special luncheon was held on Aug. 30. The event allowed transfers to get to know one another so that there were some FAMILIAR faces around campus right from the start.



Green

Senior Brooke Atkinson enjoys sophomore Ryan Green's company. After spending two years at a private school in North Carolina and completing her junior and senior years at JMU, she will be attending UVa. Law School in the fall of 1997.

A lot of transfers credited friendly-faced JMU with their speedy adjustment.

"You are so unsure of what's happening. My roommate helped me the most. Even when she didn't have an answer for me, she helped point me where I needed to go," recalled junior Jen Saunders.

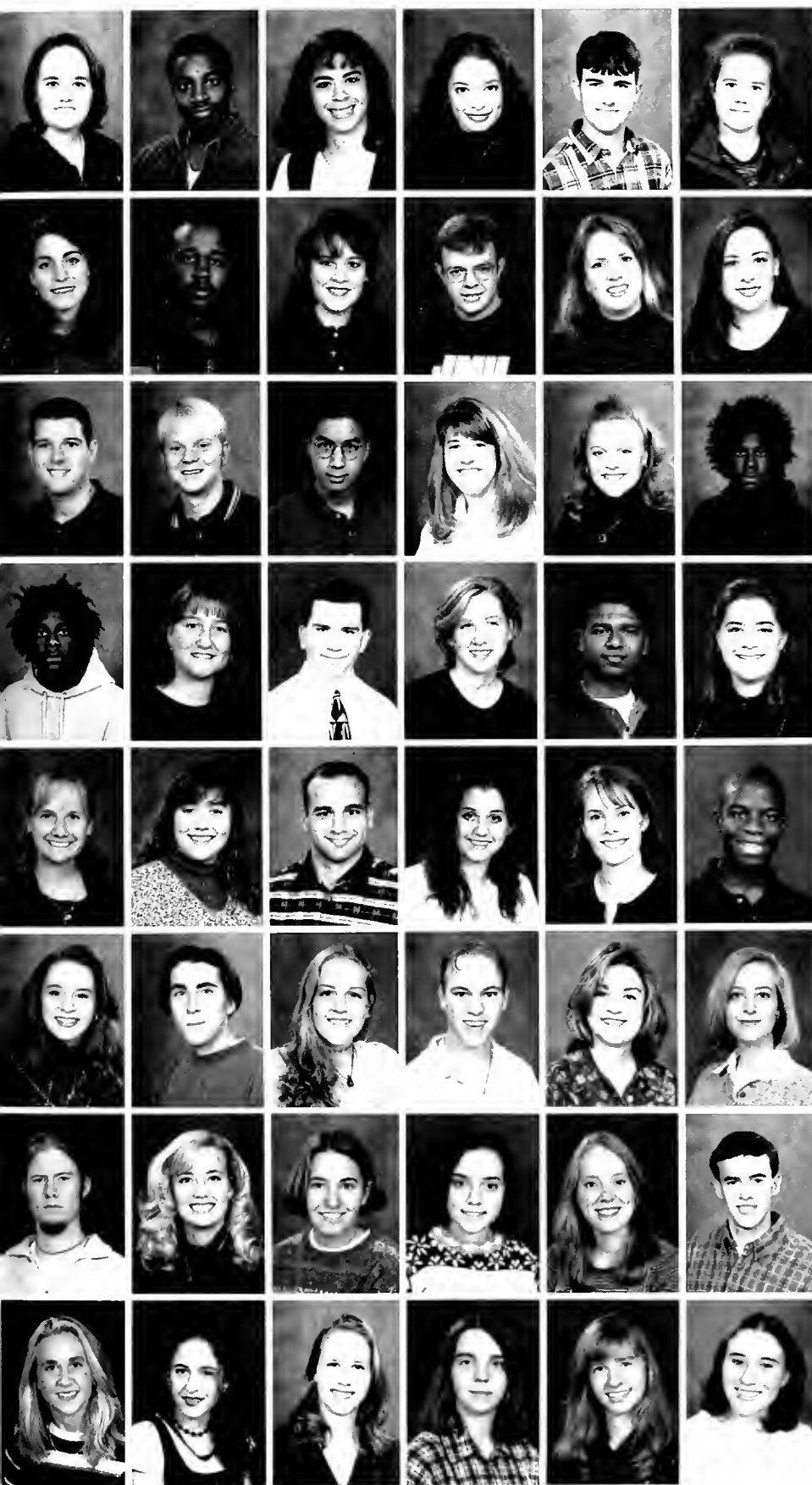
Despite their DISTINCT former college experiences, the JMU Counseling Center offered a group in which transfers could get together and discuss common interests and concerns.

JMU has a 91.5 percent rate of return which proves that most transfer students settle in quickly and are HAPPY to call JMU "home" for the remainder of their college years.

Jen Saunders and freshman Lindsay Evans pose for a picture during a party. Saunders transferred from a community college outside Philadelphia. JMU's social and academic reputation were attractive to students looking to transfer from other schools.



Saunders



Amy Van Dyke  
 Tarik K. Vaughan  
 Danielle C. Wagner  
 Leah M. Washington  
 Christopher T. Weaver  
 Christy D. Webb

Megan E. Wehner  
 Sekenia K. Welch  
 Claire C. Welsch  
 S. Kyle Wesson  
 Grace E. Whatley  
 Amanda P. Whetstone

Gregory S. Whitesell  
 K. Ryan Whitlock  
 Aaron C. Whitney  
 Susan M. Wilkins  
 Christie M. Williams  
 Derrick L. Wilson

Desmond L. Wilson  
 Heather M. Wood  
 Daniel S. Acker  
 Jennifer R. Adams  
 Gaurav Agarwal  
 Meredith K. Allen

Alissa M. Anderson  
 Lisa A. Anderson  
 Scott R. Ashcraft  
 Lyndsey G. Atherton  
 Leah M. Bailey  
 Roland T. Baltimore

Sarah P. Baltimore  
 Robert B. Barbour  
 Kelly M. Bardzell  
 Christian M. Banus  
 Autumn P. Barton  
 Erin L. Bass

Mark E. Batten  
 Jessica J. Beck  
 Ashley M. Bell  
 Cindy E. Bennett  
 Dana C. Berle  
 Asa O. Bishop III

Whitney G. Black  
 Jessica L. Blank  
 Peggy E. Bollinger  
 Holly E. Boone  
 Christine M. Bosker  
 Michelle M. Bousman



Erin M. Bozzi  
Justin G. Brittle  
Jeffrey S. Bronaugh  
Blair W. Brown  
Jeanette L. Brown  
Jennifer L. Brown



Melba Y. Brown  
Sarah E. Brown  
Duane M. Bryant  
Dave P. Bubser  
Cara J. Budd  
Heather E. Burns



Heather A. Burt  
Stephen C. Burtis  
Penny N. Burwell  
Lisa M. Cantu  
Courtney E. Carr  
Courtney S. Carroll



Tara S. Carroll  
Chris D. Carter  
Holly X. Carter  
Dana Caruso  
Jennifer D. Cave  
Rowena M. Chavez



Kelly L. Chitwood  
Laura J. Ciborowski  
Holly M. Ciocco  
Eletha D. Claiborne  
Loreto C. Claustro  
Taisha N. Claytor



Erica M. Clifford  
Mark F. Cobb  
Gillian T. Coe  
Alison D. Coffey  
James A. Colbert II  
Jessica A. Cole



Wesley K. Colton  
Dana B. Cooper  
Katie Costello  
Tina E. Cothran  
Christina M. Cotterman  
Kara S. Couch



Seth T. Cowall  
Wendy C. Crocker  
Angela M. Cross  
Jennifer R. Culley  
Lisa J. D'Acerno  
Stephanie M. Dacko





# Class Schedule

*Registration: from two precious phone calls to desperate pleas for overrides*

by DENISE SEIPEL

Two of the scariest words in the JMU language are phone registration. At freshman orientation, registration is easy. The university preregisters students for classes. Freshmen just tell their ADVISERS what classes they want to take and the process is complete. But for the next seven semesters registration can be a whole different experience.

Phone registration is a 15-day PROCESS in which every student gets a specific time to register based on credit hours and the last four digits of the social security number. Each session is given an index number which students enter in by phone.

While phone registration eliminates the hassle of standing in LONG LINES, like many students did in past generations, it also had some disadvantages. Laurie Sanfillo said, "The scariest part of phone registration is that you only get TWO phone calls, so if you mess up you're dead."

The most frustrating aspect of the registration process for most students was not dealing with the telephone, but with the DREADED feeling of hearing, "Sorry that section is full."

Certain classes were known to be impossible to get into until entering students reached senior-year status.



K. Williams

Hoping to find the open section for the class she needs, Mary Sherrill begins the registration process. Members of athletic teams, the Honors Program and RA's were given the opportunity to register early for classes.

Getting any class at a "good time" was also difficult. "I always end up with 8 o'clocks. I hate mornings so much, but that is the only time I can ever registered for classes," said sophomore Randy Jenkins.

One of the biggest STEPS in registration is deciding what classes to register for. Students struggled to find a balance between getting teachers and times they wanted. Students exchanged "notes" on which teachers were best to get, which courses were nightmares and which courses were great experiences.

"There are just so many factors to consider. What teacher? What time? Will this course count for GRADUATION? It can be really overwhelming," said senior Aimee Fradette.

Taking good notes, these students participate in a Hall Program titled "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly," which discussed professors.

Many students took advantage of others' good and bad experiences with professors.



Vitsack

# Movie Nights

*Grafton-Stovall: a place to shout, cheer and watch looney tunes...*

by ERIN BINNEY

Grafton-Stovall Theater hosted many wonderful lectures and presentations throughout the year, but it was **BEST** known for its movies.

Although some people grumbled at the beginning of the year because ticket prices increased from \$1.50 to two dollars, students soon discovered that their money was being well spent on a new 35mm projector which replaced the 16mm one Grafton-Stovall had been using.

Sophomore James Bilgihan said the best thing about Grafton-Stovall was the **DIVERSITY** of films. "We have everything from art films to major blockbusters to the free Sunday night English department films," he said.

As in past years, the movies at Grafton-Stovall followed a specific weekly format. The theater showed past blockbusters on Tuesday and Wednesday nights; art films, foreign films and cult favorites on Thursday nights; and current blockbusters on Friday and Saturday nights. The English department selected the **FREE** Sunday night movies in conjunction with film classes it offered.

Once familiar with the format, students quickly discovered a favorite day to go to the movies. The Friday and Saturday films were especially **POPULAR**. Sophomore Sara Simberg said she liked "the new movies I didn't get to see in the theater—and for only two dollars!"

Sophomore Brad Bishop preferred some of the lesser known and older films. "The Thursday night films often don't run in **BIG** theaters, so unless you live in a city near an art theater, you often don't get to see them until they come out on video," he said. Bishop also enjoyed the Sunday films. "You get to see an old movie on the big **SCREEN** that you would have missed because you were so young when it came out."

Junior Ted Boyke said Grafton-Stovall movies are "the most nonalcoholic, **FULLY-CLOTHED** fun you can have in all of Harrisonburg."

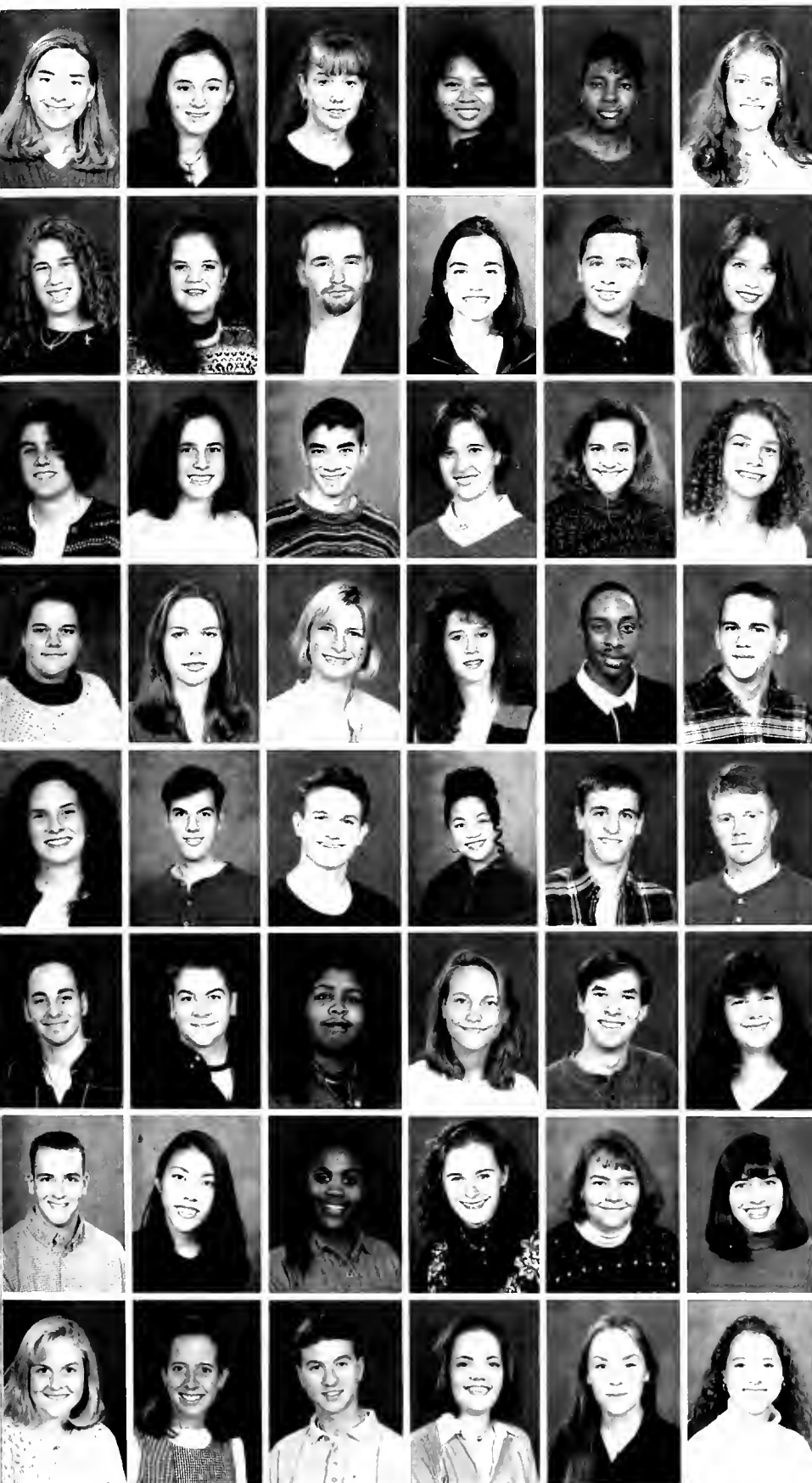


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Collecting money for the Valentine's Day movie special, this UPB member tries to keep the line moving. The Valentine's Day 3-D played to a sold-out movie crowd, whose yells and wise-cracks proved to be more entertaining than the movie.



Cantrwell



Kristin L. Dame  
 Carol L. Davis  
 Lori L. Davis  
 Joyce R. de la Pena  
 Kynisha M. DeBose  
 Carolyn L. Dei

Victoria B. DelGazio  
 Stephanie L. DeMary  
 Ryan G. Dempsey  
 Laura R. Dennis  
 Terrence M. Dennis Jr.  
 Jennifer M. Detta

Michelle DiDonato  
 Sara B. Dinwoodie  
 Jonathan B. Dong  
 Elizabeth C. Donohue  
 Julie L. Dorneman  
 Colleen J. Dougherty

Elizabeth A. Drakulich  
 Jaime L. Dritt  
 Karin E. Durand  
 Misty D. Durham  
 Michael J. Ellis  
 Timothy S. Emry

Allison N. Enos  
 Benjamin R. Evans  
 Steven R. Fairchild  
 Lovelle B. Fajota  
 Anthony R. Faust  
 Richard C. Feierbend

Eric S. Felber  
 Matthew J. Feldman  
 Felicia G. Ferguson  
 Meredith A. Fields  
 Eric G. Finke  
 Jill E. Finley

B. Scott Floyd  
 Carmen Fong  
 Gerri M. Fowler  
 Deborah C. Funk  
 Elizabeth T. Funkhouser  
 Sarah L. Furler

Colleen A. Gallagher  
 Molly A. Gallagher  
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 Sarah W. Gardner  
 Diantha B. Garms  
 Kathleen R. Gecoma

Heather A. Geissler  
 Joy E. Gentile  
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 Jennifer A. Gibson  
 Molly K. Gilligan  
 Susan Ginel



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 Peter L. Gould  
 Elizabeth N. Graf  
 Julie C. Graves  
 Kelly C. Gray  
 Lindsey M. Gray



Ryan M. Green  
 Karen M. Greendyk  
 Jennifer M. Griffins  
 Allison Grimm  
 Joshua D. Gross  
 Kelly R. Gross



Kimberly K. Gubser  
 Jonathan D. Gunderlach  
 Angela F. Hagan  
 Amy M. Hamilton  
 Amy E. Hans  
 Mary Kay Haralampus



Pamela D. Haraway  
 Jessica A. Harding  
 Dawn M. Harrington  
 Jill R. Harris  
 Julie E. Hart  
 Leanne M. Hasenfus



Maggie M. Hass  
 Julie A. Hathaway  
 Susan K. Heidenthal  
 Lauren B. Hendricks  
 Sabrina A. Hensley  
 Susan H. Hice



Maggie E. Hill  
 Lauren E. Hohman  
 Timothy R. Horst  
 Staci M. Howard  
 Katherine E. Hubbard  
 Emily J. Hudak



James R. Ibach  
 Melissa M. Inman  
 Kristina Jackson  
 Jaclyn S. James  
 Duke Dog  
 Brad D. Jenkins



# What A Rush

*A week designed to introduce students to one another and to Greek life*

by DENISE

SEIPEL

Rush was one of the most important events of the Greek year. Rush was the time in which social, professional and service sororities and fraternities begin the INDUCTION process of new members.

This year fall rush lasted from Sept. 4-10 for the eight sororities on campus. Normally, sororities allow 500 girls to participate, but due to the increased number of freshmen, 700 girls were participated this year. Rush consisted of orientation, three ROUNDS of house visits, preference night and then finally bid night.

For many rushees, the favorite part of the process was getting to meet so many people. Sophomore Kathy Selgas said, "The best thing is to go into rush with an OPEN mind because each sorority is completely different than anything you have ever heard."

During rush students were aided by Rho Chis. These women guided the rushees through the entire process. During the week of rush Rho Chis stayed in a local hotel so that they could be available to rushees at all times and so that there was no bias toward any one sorority.



Two students look through memorabilia set out at fraternity information tables. The tables, set up on The Commons and in The Village, were designed to give students a first glimpse at Greek life. Fraternity rush was much less formal.

Mikiusi

Fraternity rush is very different from sorority rush. While the two are held concurrently in the fall, most fraternities also hold rush in the spring. Instead of rushing all fraternities, men are allowed to rush only one, therefore each fraternity holds its own rush events.

While SOCIAL fraternities and sororities play a large role on the campus, professional, service, and honor fraternities also play an important part. Sophomore Pam Haraway said that she chose a professional fraternity because it incorporated both social and professional EVENTS. Rush for professional, service and honor fraternities usually occurred in both the fall and the spring.

This group of students poses for a picture. Sorority pledges wore colored ribbons and T-shirts that advertised their love for their new sisters. Sorority rush was a formal process that took place only in the fall.



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# Scope the Crowd

*Ped plaza and the hill, the perfect places to scope those passing by*

by KATIE COSTELLO & BETSY ROLLINS

As you enter and leave D-hall, do you feel those beady little eyes **PRESSED** against the back of your neck? Turning your head towards the heat of those eyes will lead you in the direction of the hill. There you will find JMU students resting conspicuously, trying to hide the fact that they are staring at you.

Students on the **HILL** often seem to be studying, eating or socializing; however, what they are really doing is observing and **CRITIQUEING** your unique style.

Freshman Sue Debernandis said that her favorite thing to do is to "pick up a sub from Door 4 if the weather is nice and sit on the hill to relax and scope out the people and what they are wearing."

There are also students **SCOPING** The Commons for future perspective dates. Sophomore Taylor Pace said, "I go up on the hill to do homework, but I never get anything done because I start looking at all the good looking girls." The hill is the ideal spot because nobody notices these spies.

Others like to **WATCH** for classmates and get to know them better. Names are constantly **YELLED** out to

beckon friends to join others on the hill. "I won't call out to people but when my friends yell my name I'm tempted to skip class," sophomore Mona Railan admitted.

It's a **SOCIAL** relaxing and quiet atmosphere. Whether it's to study others and their unique style, find future dates, or get to know their classmates better the hill is home to a **LOT** of people. No matter what time of day you will find many students there, maybe even a new **FRIEND**.

Senior Charlie Enman summed it up by describing the hill as "a place to enjoy JMU and its surroundings!"



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Groups of students siting on the hill enjoy a sunny afternoon. The hill was the perfect place to grab a bite to eat while watching all the people passing by. In the winter the hill also became a popular place to go sledding.

Students sitting on the cement benches and grassy knolls on The Commons watch as classmates walk by. The Commons area was often packed between classes and during lunchtime as friends met up with one another.



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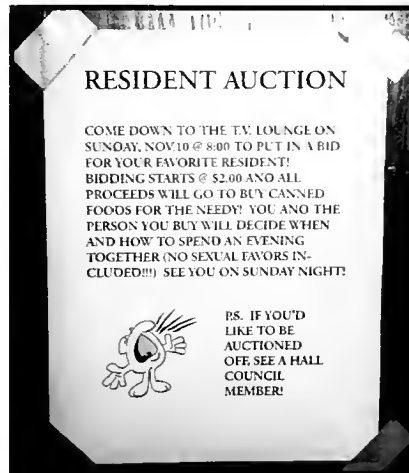
*From learning self-defense to eating Papa's pizza with friends...*

by ERIN BINNEY

Most on-campus students are aware of their resident advisor's disciplinary duties, but not all of them know that each semester RAs are also required to plan seven PROGRAMS which represent the seven components of the wellness circle — social, spiritual, intellectual, emotional, functional, physical and vocational.

Developing programs can be challenging. Senior Matt Sturtevant, a third-year RA, said that the McGraw-Long Hall staff BRAINSTORMED on programs during staff meetings. "It is important to hit on issues people are familiar with," he said. Because each program requires a lot of preparation, they couldn't be thrown together at the last minute. RAs had to request things like money for pizza or supplies from Wal-Mart and sometimes schedule a speaker. Then they had to advertise the program about a week in advance.

One of the programs Sturtevant was most proud of was the Candellight Vigil for World AIDS Day that he and several other groups on campus ORGANIZED. "It was something that we felt very positive about, something that has become an annual event and I hope it will continue," he said.



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Resident auctions were a popular way to make money within a hall. This freshman dorm tried to raise funds for a local charity. Hall programs were often put on by resident advisors and individual hall councils.

Residents of Howard Johnson's "show their stuff" during a hall talent contest. Hall programs were designed not only to help build community within the hall, but also to educate students in areas such as health and emotional well being.



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Senior Lisa French, an RA in Hoffman Hall, said that publicity was key. She sometimes held her programs in the lobby to attract people coming in and going out of the building. Although programming was hard work, French said that it was one of the main reasons she became an RA. "When people show up, you know what you're doing is WORTHWHILE," she said. French said that the fun and artistic programs were the most popular.

In addition to providing unity within the halls, programs also helped students to relax and have fun. Sophmores Laura Roder and Page Slusser said that they especially enjoyed the exercise, meditation, MASSAGE, and playdough programs in Logan Hall this year. Roder said that hall programs "help you to relax."

# Homesick Blues

*Mom's cooking, your silly little dog, your own bed, familiar faces....*

by LIZ THOMPSON

Freshmen arrive each year eager to explore a new environment, to shed their high school images and begin what they are told are "the best years of their lives."

After lofts are assembled, last minute trips to Wal-Mart are completed and hugs have been exchanged, students are left feeling very ... alone.

For a week or two the independence is great. You order pizza at 2 a.m. and stay out all night. But sooner or later many freshmen find themselves with a sense that something is missing. The homesickness bug finally bites.

"I don't know of anyone who wasn't a little miserable the first month or so. Everything familiar is miles away from where you are," said sophomore Denise Seipel.

Most freshmen compensated for their sudden loss by checking their mailboxes three times a day, writing countless e-mails to other homesick friends and running up telecom bills that rival the national debt.

Sometimes it wasn't even mom and dad who were missed the most. "I missed my boyfriend the most," said freshman Lindsay Evans.

Finding a quiet place on Kissing Rock, this student takes some time to think about home. Although many now call Harrisonburg home, the longing for a home-cooked meal and a little sibling rivalry creeps in every now and then.



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There is no easier way to cure homesickness than a little quality time with the parents. This student and her mother enjoy spending time together during Parent's Weekend held during the fall semester.

"I missed my dog a lot," said freshman Cindi Walters.

What is the best cure for homesickness? Most upperclassmen cited getting involved in an activity as the best method for beating the homesick blues. "I've been keeping busy," said freshman Colleen Courtney. "Now I feel at home here because I have commitments." Talking with other students who are experiencing the same feelings also helped. "I was sitting in my room feeling like no one around me would understand, but once I got to know the girls who lived around me I realized that we were all feeling the same way," said freshmen Nicole Lewis.

Homesickness was not for freshmen. Upperclassmen were occasionally hit by a twinge of the blues. "I feel sad on my birthday because I'm not with my family," said junior Amanda Smith.



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# Frosh Follies

*College: a new atmosphere, new rules, lots of chances to make mistakes*

by LIZ THOMPSON

You walk out of D-Hall after lunch. Suddenly bells and whistles are going off. Did you win something? No, you've just exited through the fire exit and now you've announced to the entire place that you're a freshman.

One of the required parts of being a freshman is being clueless. You can be sure that the poor girl who set off the fire alarm will never do it again. Freshmen are usually pretty easy to spot early in the year.

Freshman Chris Darren was reprimanded at the recreation center by a junior for spending too much time on a piece of equipment. Ignorance of rules and policies was usually what led may freshmen astray.

Kate Hedson said, "I stood directly in front of Godwin Hall for twenty minutes one day before I realized you had to be at the bus stop in order to get picked up."

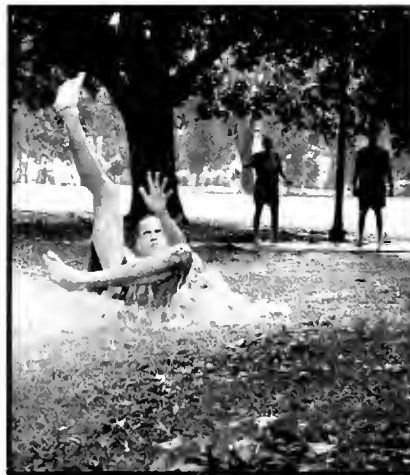
For freshman Andy Carson's birthday he decided to have people over to hang out in his room. "I got written up four times that night!" he said.

A general lack of familiarity with campus grounds caused some first-year students headaches. Freshmen Meghan Nichols and Meredith Leporati seemed to have a bit of trouble differentiating between residence halls in the Hillside area. "We live in McGraw-Long, but we kept going into Bell thinking we were in the right place," Nichols said.

Lacing up their skates, these freshmen join their friends at Skatetown USA on Dukes Night. For only one dollar, a student can rent skates or rollerblades and skate with friends until midnight every Monday night.



K. Williams



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Sliding across the Quad during the flood of 1996, this freshman makes the best of the day off. Due to overcrowding in freshmen dorms, many first-year students were housed in halls located directly on the Quad.

Once freshmen learned their way around they quickly blended in with the rest of the student body. Once the initial embarrassment had passed, the follies of freshman year became something to laugh about and look back on as one of the first memorable moments of college life.

Sophomore Debbi Ensfield remembered one of the silliest things she did during her freshman year. "I sat through an entire lecture before I realized that I was in the wrong class," she said. "Leave it to me to be the only person at JMU who goes to more classes than I am supposed to."

# A New Century

*The first class of the new millennium begins its college years*

by MARK ROSS

After their first year, members of the the class of 2000 have already started calling JMU "home."

"It was hard to come in at first, but once I got here and settled in, I decided this place pretty much rocks," said Rebecca Vogelmann.

Making the **TRANSITION** into their new home, however, was not easy for some. "We were on the fifth floor in Shorts and the elevator was broken on move-in day," said Lindsey Hodges.

After moving themselves in, some freshmen found new, long-lasting friends within the comforts of their own residence hall.

"I consider myself **LUCKY** to have been put in the 'pent-house' of Eagle," said Karen O'Saben. "My hallmates and I are real close, we do everything together." The class of 2000 has also **DISCOVERED** that there is more to JMU than just going to classes. "I was overwhelmed when I first took the UREC tour, it's an amazing complex," said Hodges. JMU, however, also has its share of disturbances.

"I have lost count of the number of mornings that I have been awakened by the **BEEPING** of the JMU vehicles," said Virginia Almond. Stephanie Low and Christy Waggoner recalled the time when they waited at the mall for the bus to come, while it was snowing. After standing outside for several hours, a Wal-Mart employee graciously gave them a ride back to campus.



While trying to choose the perfect outfit for her friend's birthday dinner, freshman Christine VanVleck gets caught up in her closet. Due to the triples in many of the freshmen halls, closet and drawer space became a luxury for students.

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This student takes a snooze in her dorm room. Members of the class of 2000 had to learn how to make an 11 by 14 foot room, home.

They also had to learn how to cope with the demanding schedule of college life. Sometimes taking a nap was the only way to cope.



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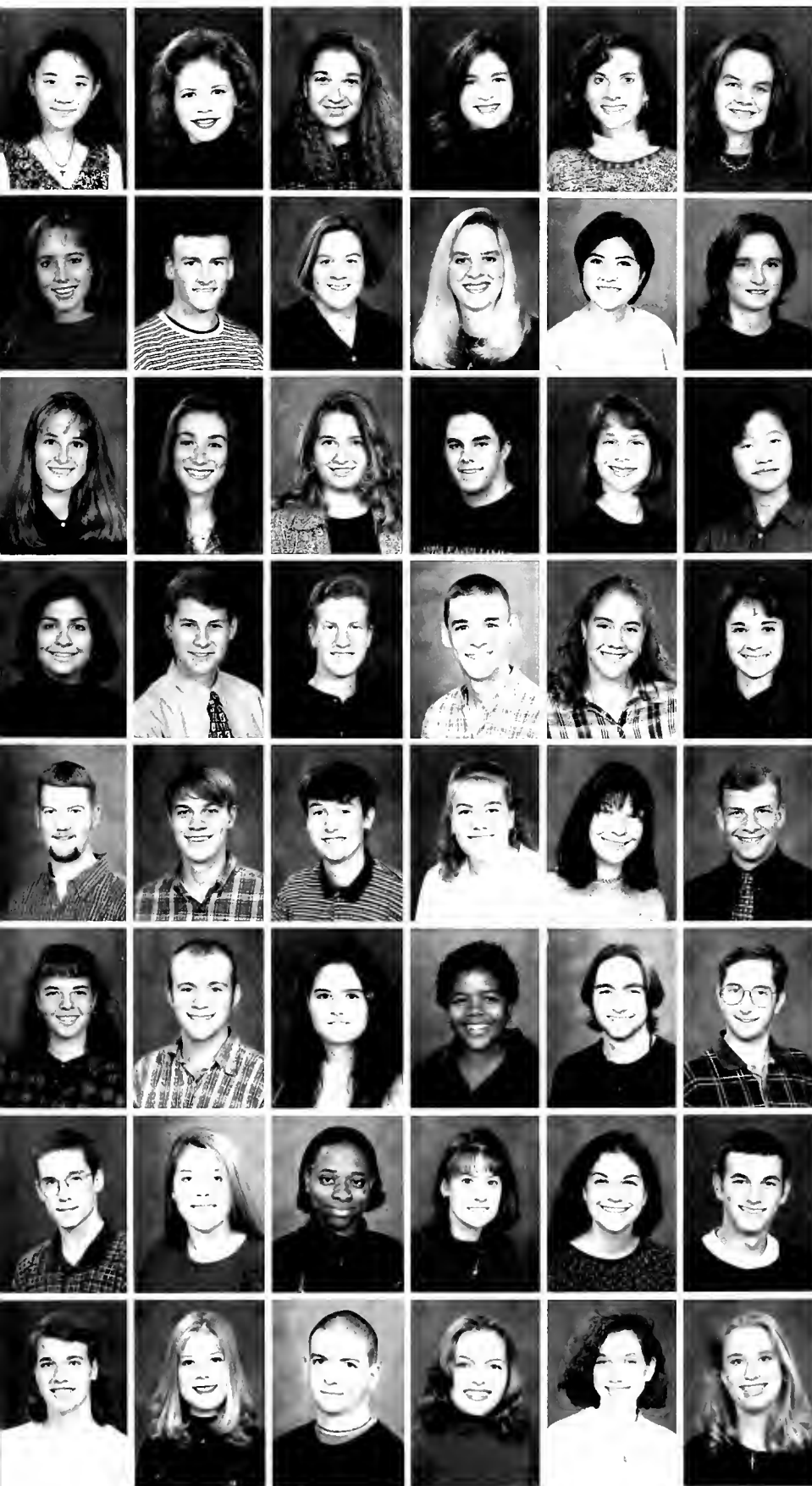
"We think that Wal-Mart employee is a saint," said Low.

Freshmen year not only meant new friends and fond **MEMORIES**, for some it was also a year marked by personal growth.

"I was very shy upon entering JMU, but as the year progressed I became more outgoing," said Hodges.

With **GROWTH**, however, came "growing pains," including how not to do laundry.

"Don't ever wash reds with whites," said Alison Flora. "They come out pink."



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# Parent's Day

*Freshmen parents get their own weekend to experience college life*

by JAQUELINE COOK

On November 2, JMU hosted its **FIRST** Freshman Parents Day - and its last, according to Glenda Rooney, Assistant Vice-President of Parent and External Relations.

"Freshman Parents Day was exciting," Rooney said, "but we just did not have the numbers we expected. Those who did come loved it."

Freshman Parents Day, held two weeks after Parents Weekend, was an attempt to give freshman and their parents some important, **SPECIALIZED** information that they may not have received during Parents Weekend. Also, Rooney said, "Harrisonburg can never accomodate all of the **PARENTS** who want to attend Parents Weekend." She had hoped that Freshman Parents Day might be helpful to some of those parents who had no place to stay for Parents **WEEKEND**.

Jessie Drieman, a freshman whose parents did not come to Freshman Parents Day, said "My parents did not come because they had just been here two weeks earlier for Parents Weekend. And the week after that, I went home for Fall Break. Two weekends in a row with the folks was plenty!" For freshman Matthew Burnett, however, Freshman Parents Day provided an opportunity for him to spend time with his parents, who had not come to JMU for the **EARLIER** Parents Weekend, but were able to make the drive for the day. "It was good to see my parents," Burnett said.

Students and parents watch as the Dukes take on Northeastern. While the football game was normally a popular event on parents weekend, the rainy weather at Freshmen Parents Weekend forced some to move their plans inside.



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This student and her mom make the mandatory trip to Wal-Mart Parents Weekend was an opportune time to do a little shopping and enjoy a meal at one of the restaurants around town.

Unlike Parents Weekend, which showcases things like **FOOD** services and musical groups, Freshman Parents Day provided a departmental fair, workshops for undeclared majors, and programs on academic advising and career services. According to Rooney, all of the programs received **POSITIVE** feedback. The parents of freshman have different needs from those of older students and also have many new things to learn, so the information provided on this day was well-received. The problem, however, is that there were not as many parents as expected, to take advantage of these programs.

So, while the parents who did attend Freshman Parents Day learned a great deal of valuable information, the JMU administration also learned a valuable lesson!

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# Living at HoJo

*Overcrowding caused 170 freshman to call Howard Johnson's home*

by MITCH VAKERICS

Over the summer, students anxiously waited to hear which dormitory they would be living in for their first year at JMU. When that envelope from JMU finally arrived, some students received a big surprise ... they received their living assignment: the HOWARD JOHNSON'S Hotel.

Freshman Carolyn Keating said, "At first I didn't want to live there at all and I really hated it, but then I really started to love it."

Living off campus for their first year could be quite nerve wracking for the inexperienced freshmen.

Anne Larus said, "We just came from the comforts of HOME and we weren't given any time to gradually get used to the college experience. We had to learn how to take the bus to classes which is especially difficult when the majority of our classes are eight in the morning."

Although these freshman may have missed out on the typical campus experience, they lived in large, carpeted rooms with a BALCONY and own bathroom. They also received MAID SERVICE once a week, free HBO and were permitted to have a car for their first year.

HoJo's was much like a typical college dorm, complete with RA's on each floor, a study lounge, and message boards displayed on the outside of everyone's door. Each room accommodated three students. The constant buzz of Interstate 81 mixed with the typical laughter and music normally heard in a residence hall.

Aaron Ritchey said, "We have a good time here. It's something that bonds us all together." In the WARM MONTHS, when the freshmen first arrived at JMU, it was easy to meet others living at the Howard Johnson's. The students were permitted to use the POOL. After classes, the pool deck was a popular site to meet other residents. Students also left their doors open hoping some fresh faces would come in their room to get acquainted.

Freshman Zen Iqbal said, "It has its ups and downs, but mostly ups."

Freshman Molly Ryan agreed saying, "You get out of it what you put into it. It was really a blast!"

Unloading boxes full of items for his room, the freshman begins adding personal touches to his new room in HoJo's. Students living in the hotel complex were given such privileges as maid service and parking spots on the premises.



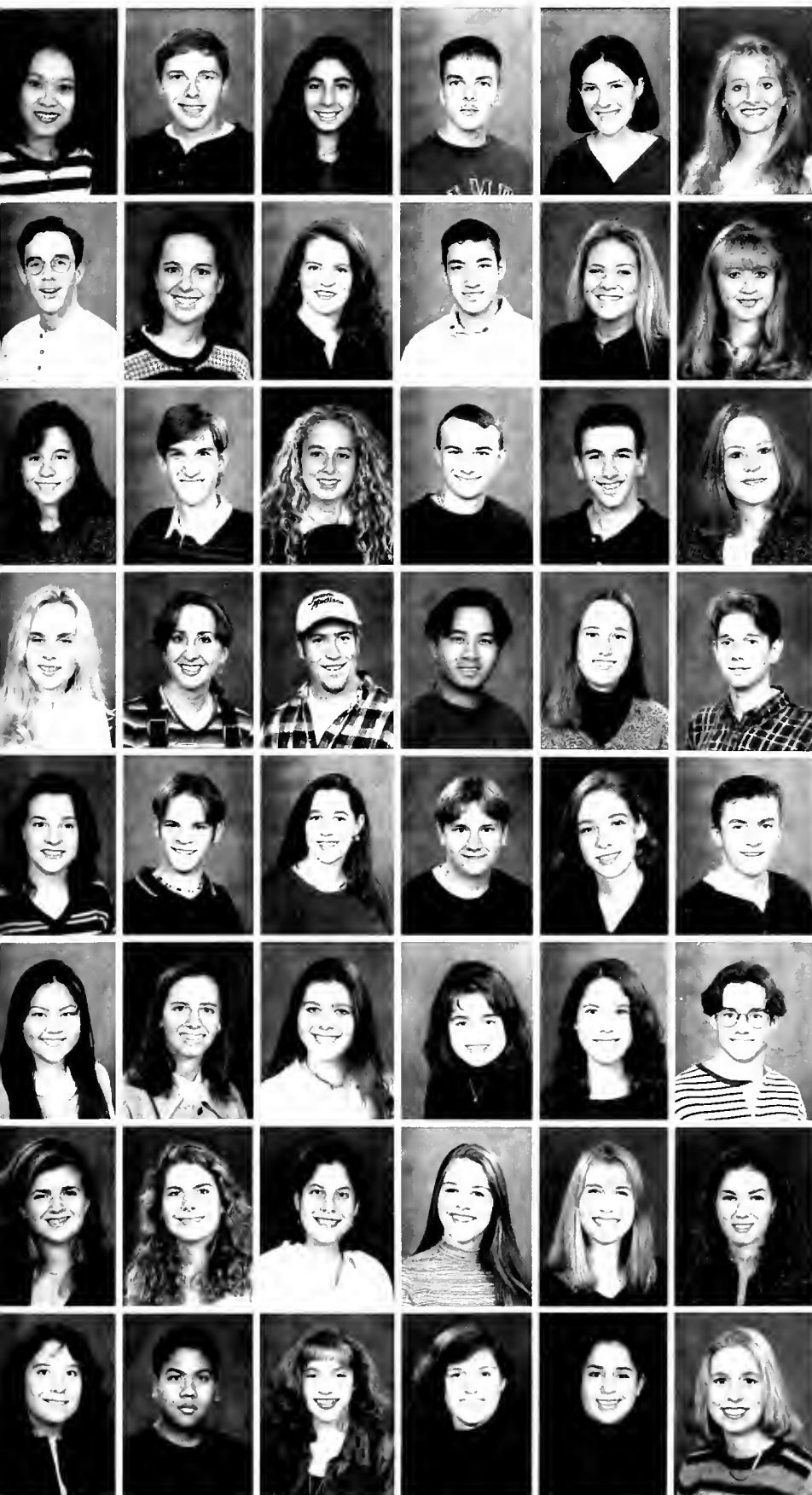
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The sign out in front of Howard Johnson welcomes first year students to their new home away from home. The inn accommodated 170 freshmen and helped alleviate the overcrowding on campus.





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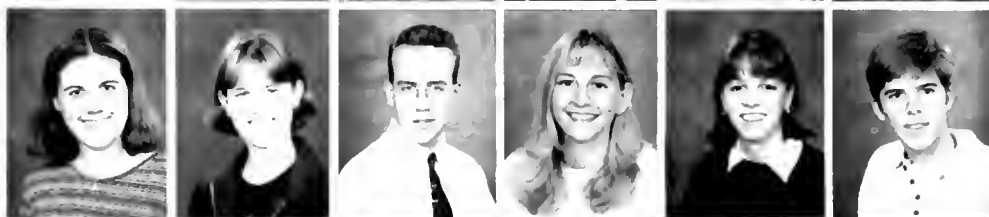
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# Sneaking In

*Name not on the list? Don't know the people throwing the bash? Oh Well!*

by MITCH VAKERICS

Devious JMU students used every possible technique to sneak into parties. Party CRASHERS were not always as stealthy as they thought they were. Some attempts to SNEAK into parties were noticeable and unsuccessful. Some of those who did sneak in were either lucky, or the person working the door was a little careless.

The most popular method of sneaking into a party was the screen technique. After a group of four or five people had been admitted into the party room, the party crasher quietly blended in behind the admitted group, using them as a screen.

The infamous phrase, "I've already been into the party" was a trick students were partial to. However, if they were not sweating and did not smell of BEER and cigarette smoke, the person at the door usually had an idea of the truth. Legal and minor markings, however, placed on the top of everyone's hand did hinder many students looking for an easy way in.

"It gets old hearing the lines people come up with in their attempt to talk their way into a party", said sophomore Troy Lane. "It would be nice to hear the truth every once and a while."

Party crashers' eyes lit up when there was a big crowd in front of the table. Informally known as the diversion

TECHNIQUE, people not on the list would bee-line for the door when the sober worker was preoccupied with other people trying to talk their way in.

Fraternity parties alone were not the only place students could find a fun place to meet people. Off-campus students often threw bashes for friends and neighbors.

"It's a lot easier to get into an apartment party than on the Row," said freshman Jennifer Berwick. "We love just walking into apartments that are having a party and meeting a completely new group of people."

Through it all, a good time was to be found almost anywhere in Harrisonburg. You just had to find a way in.

Making sure no one was watching, this party-goer beings his move into the fraternity house through the back door. Due to IFC regulations, students were required to enter names on a List before entering parties on Greek Row.



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Trying to make his way into a Sigma Pi party, senior Jason Wright makes his way towards the party room. Aside from parties on the Row, many students chose to attend gatherings and social events that were off-campus.



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# Highway Love

*They see each other's names across the screen... it's love at first type.*

by NICOLE STEFFEY

Her palms were sweaty, her heart pounding, the cursor was flashing on the screen... would he ever write back?

The information highway has vastly changed the lives of many students over the past few years. Research for a major term paper could be done without ever stepping a foot into Carrier Library. Asking that INTIMIDATING professor a question about Thursday's assignment no longer had to be face-to-face. And, in some cases, meeting that special someone no longer required playing the field at Friday night's big party.

"I had recieved this e-mail from some stranger. It was obvious from his MESSAGE that he had just sent it to the wrong address somehow. So I wrote back to him to warn him of his mistake. He wrote back to me to say how embarrassed he was. Somehow we just started writing each other," said junior Kelley Prescott.

The Internet provided students with a whole new way to make connections, whether it was with a total STRANGER or a long-lost friend.

"I was doing a class assignment, looking at other colleges' WEBPAGES and I remembered that an old junior high school boyfriend went to one of the schools. I looked him up in the school directory and sent him a RANDOM e-mail saying 'remember me'. He wrote back and we've been pen pals ever since," said sophomore Rachel Thompson.

Technology proved to be just like the corner at any frat party, the bar stool at JM's: a place to find that special someone. There was never any telling, maybe Mr. or Ms. Right was somewhere along the information highway.



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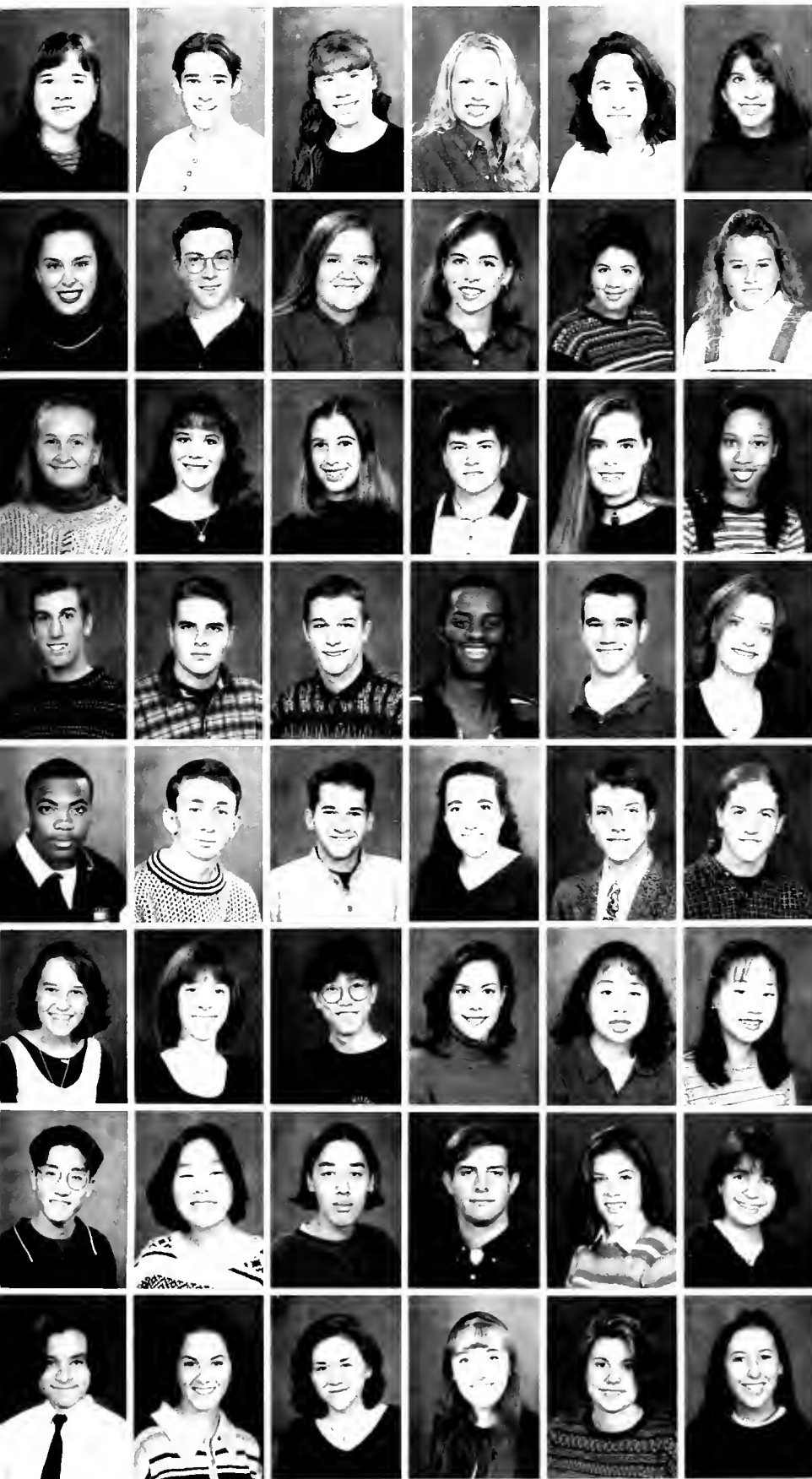
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Sending E-mail to a friend at another school, this student tries to keep in contact with those that are important to him. The internet and E-mail assisted friends and significant others stay close.

Occasionally the information highway played the role of MATCH MAKER, linking two students who would have never met up on the highway of life.

"My friend and I were just having fun one night last year prank calling people over the VAX phone CONNECTION. We called this one guy who thought what we were doing was really funny. We got to talking and decided to meet at D-Hall for dinner one night. We hit it off and started dating like two weeks later!" recalled junior Sandy Friedman.

"We always tell people it was LOVE at first type."



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# Orientation

*For a few summer days students got a first look at how college works.*

by JEFF MORRIS

For most students, the first real experience of the James Madison University community came from the time of freshman orientation. It could have been as long as four or five years ago, or as recent as a little over a year ago. **INTRODUCTION** to college life at JMU began over two very warm, summer days.

Because JMU welcomed one of the largest freshmen classes ever, almost 800 freshmen, orientation became a **WHIRLWIND** of activity. Upon arrival in Harrisonburg, countless informational programs, assessment tests, meetings and workshops were waiting. From meeting the dean of their respective college, to learning what a JAC card was, students were immersed in what it would be like to be a freshmen.

After dinner, members of the theater department delivered a **SPIRITED** presentation of "The Illustrated Student Handbook." This entertaining program gave students a humorous **GLIMPSE** into the lives of freshmen. Later in the evening, students had the opportunity to ask candid questions about college life to their orientation assistant during the "Lakeside Chat."

For one night, new students got a feel for what living with a roommate in a residence hall would be like. Freshmen were housed in the Village, in Chapple and Frederikson Halls, during Orientation. Chris Campbell, a freshman, commented, "My first impression was that it was so hot in Chapple, it almost made it impossible to sleep."



Enjoying the sunny day in August, these students wait for the next round of placement tests to begin. Orientation was a time for students to meet one another, while scheduling classes and taking placement tests.

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Looking over the Schedule of Classes, these students try to decide which classes to take. Students were pre-registered for classes within their major, lessening the stress of finding open classes that are required for first-year students.



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**SCHEDULING** and meeting with an academic advisor was a very important part of orientation. To make the transition to college life easier, students were provided a temporary schedule and could add or drop **CLASSES** they wanted to take.

Orientation was not only for freshmen, transfer students also participated in the "get-to-know-JMU" activities. While "the college scene" may not have been totally different, JMU was a whole new world for transfer students as well.

"I really had a great time during Orientation," said freshman Erin Kelly. "I knew that I had made the right decision about schools and that I was going to love my next four years."

# Housing Lottery

*Take a number; stand in line, maybe get the room of your choice ...*

by NICOLE STEFFEY

As the beginning of April drew near, students opening their P.O. boxes twisted the combination dial with great anticipation and apprehension, not over FEAR of last month's telecom balance, but over finding that other envelope inside — their housing lottery number.

As early as December, students began the somewhat painful PROCESS of trying to make housing arrangements for the following year. Who to live with and where, became the hot topic of conversation among many groups of friends.

As March slowly passed, students planning to stay on campus kept their fingers crossed in HOPE of being high on the lottery list. Once the letters had been sent out the process went quickly. Students could look on the VAX bulletin board to see if the dorm of their choice was filled.

"We really wanted to live in Frederickson. We checked the bulletin board every hour and just watched helplessly as every room was taken," said sophomore Sheena Carleighson.

For the CHOSEN few who did make the top of the list, the lottery system was still not always simple.

"I was so relieved when I got a great number, because I thought my roommate and I would have our choice of residence halls. But, we ended up having huge FIGHTS because she wanted to live in Bluestones and I wanted to live in the Village. If we hadn't had so much to choose from our decision would have been easier," said junior Paula Richards.

"I was so HAPPY to have a great slot, but all my friends were so mean to me the whole couple weeks because they were so mad that their own numbers were so bad," said junior Mandy Schell.

Some people decided to try to find loopholes in the system. "Two of our friends got great numbers and my roomie and I got bad ones. So we planned a little skeem," said sophomore Carrie Tellher. "We switched roommates during the LOTTERY so we all four got great rooms. Then on move-in day we told them we wanted to switch roommates! I couldn't believe it worked!"



This box at the Center of Off Campus Living helped connect commuter students who were looking for a roommate. COCL helped students who chose to move off campus with a variety of details like UDAP contracts and signing leases.

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Construction crews worked quickly to build the new Blue Ridge Hall, located near Price Club. Students who moved into the new dorm second semester where given a single room. The new building helped relieve overcrowding on campus.



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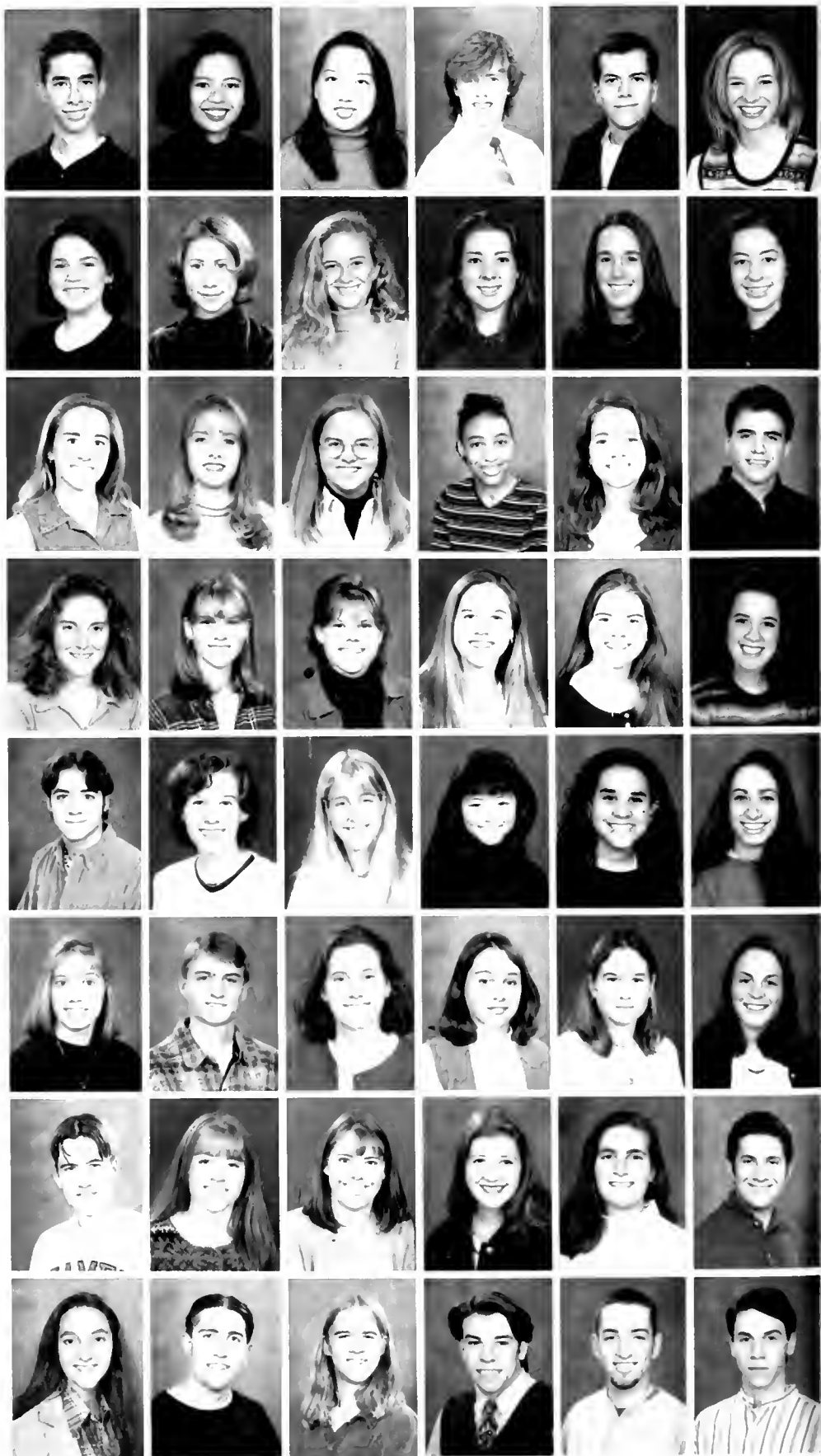
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# Madison Siblings

*When that familiar face around campus belongs to a member of the family*

by ERIN BINNEY

For many students, college was a time to leave home and make new friends, but for others it was also a time to strengthen old ties with people they had been **CLOSE** to for most of their lives—their siblings.

Senior Gretchen Verrey said that she was excited when her brother Ray, a sophomore, came to JMU. "He knew that I was having a good time here and he had friends here," she said. Gretchen said that one of the advantages of going to the same school was that when their parents came to visit, the whole **FAMILY** was together.

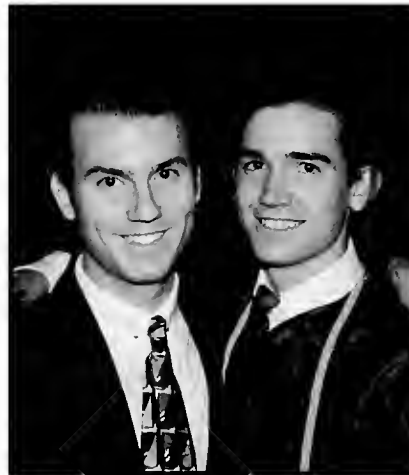
Although Gretchen and Ray went to the same high school, Ray said that going to the same college is a very different **EXPERIENCE**. "In high school, we had the same friends and saw each other everyday. Now we have to make plans to see each other," he explained. Ray and Gretchen tried to get together at least once a week for dinner.

Susie and Christine Cosby are not only sisters, but also twins and they **LIVE** together. Christine transferred to JMU from Mary Washington College. She said that having Susie here helped her to adjust because transfer students must find their own housing and knew some girls who were looking for an off-campus roommate.

Desmond and Derek Wilson, twins, share a quiet moment on the Quad. Attending the same college gave brothers and sisters a way to grow even closer. The shared experience of college life was something they carried with them throughout life.



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Senior Kim Marsh and sophomore Jeff Marsh enjoy each other's company after the graduation ceremony. Although attending the same university, their busy schedules prevented them from spending as much time together as they would like.

Marsh

It is different from high school because they don't have classes together at JMU. "If we didn't live together, we probably wouldn't see each other," said Christine. Both Susie and Christine said that living **TOGETHER** at college wasn't much different from living together at home. "We still have separate rooms," explained Susie.

The biggest drawback for the Cosby's was that the sisters couldn't see each other graduate because they received their degrees from different colleges and the ceremonies were held at the same time. Their disappointment was further evidence that family **TIES** are strong at JMU.

# A Day for Love

*A day devoted to romance, red roses, candy hearts and cards...*

by AMY KELLER

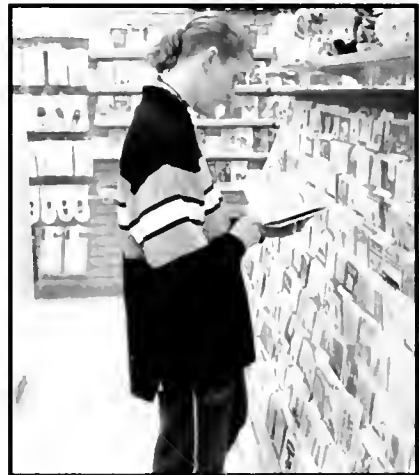
Between New Year's Eve and St. Patrick's Day, there is a holiday like no other - a holiday dedicated entirely to love and romance. Every year on FEB. 14 students go out of their way to share their feelings and express their love for that someone special.

"Nothing beats Valentine's Day," junior Brandon Harvey said. "For 364 days of the year you just know that you have someone SPECIAL, but on Feb. 14 you show them just how special they are to you."

Freshman Jenn Chapman agreed, "Aside from my Birthday, Valentine's Day is my favorite day of the year."

Although VALENTINE'S DAY is a good time to tell your significant other how you feel, it should not be the only time, according to freshman Susan Womack. "It's a good time to do something nice, but you should do something nice every day of the year and not just this one winter day," Womack said.

While Valentine's Day holds a special place in the hearts of some students, others look at it as just another day. "My roommates always cry and complain about how lonely they'll be on Valentine's Day," said junior Nicole Steffey. "I just don't understand why people get so upset over a holiday card



Trying to pick out the perfect card to send, Gary Maddox browses through the Bookstore's collection. Valentine's Day provided many people the opportunity to tell friends and family how much they were appreciated.

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Displaying candies, cards and gifts for Valentine's Day, the Bookstore offered students with a variety of gift options for that special someone. Chocolate and balloons were big sellers during the Love Season.



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stores invented. I've dated the same guy for SIX YEARS - I don't get anything and I don't care."

Unlike Halloween and the Fourth of July, holidays that are celebrated annually with enthusiasm, Valentine's Day is not always eagerly awaited by every student.

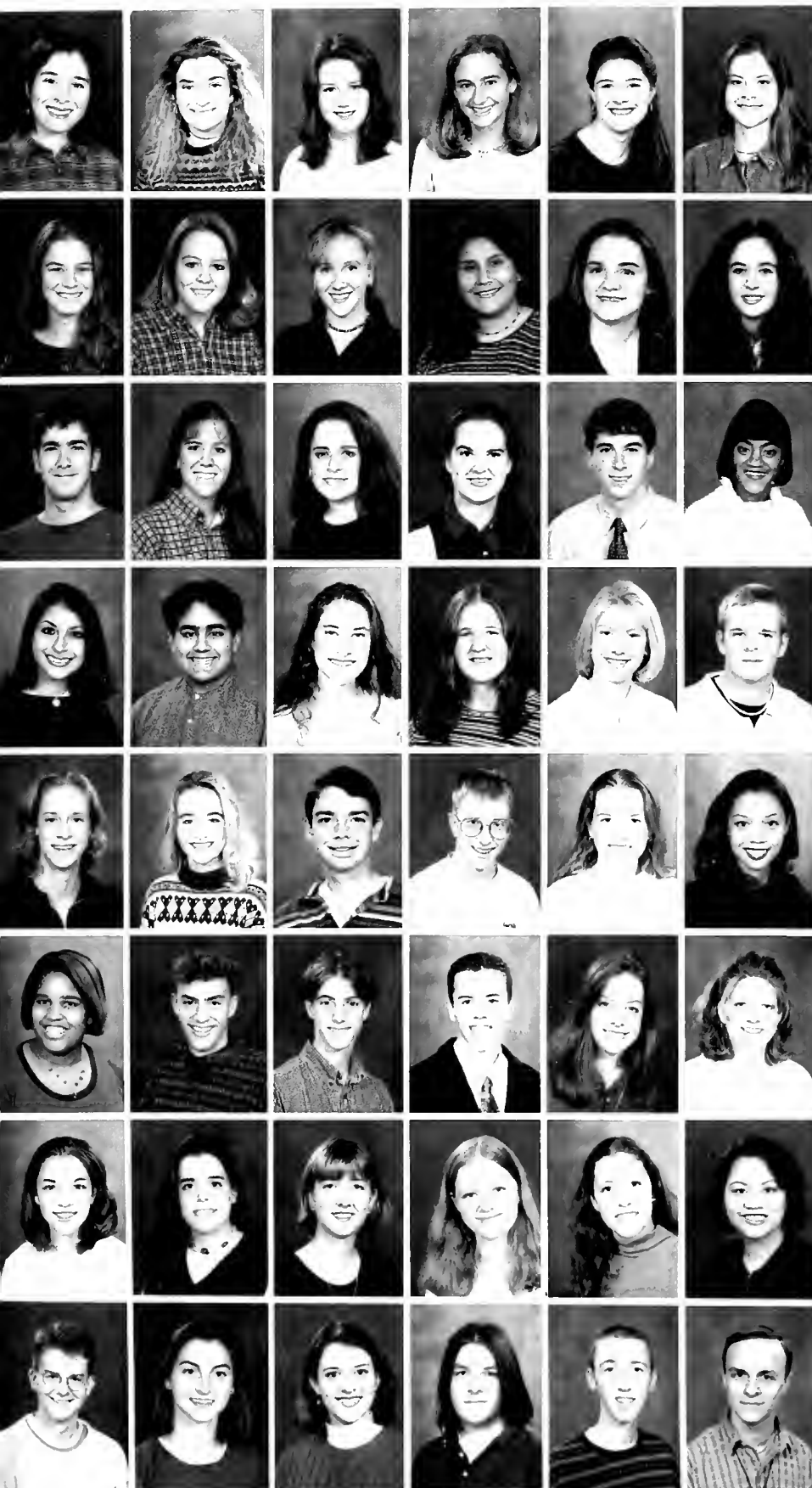
"All these glassy-eyed people running around talking about LOVE," freshman Colleen Courtney said. "It makes me sick."

Even for students who have someone to celebrate the day with, Valentine's Day isn't always a big deal.

"My BOYFRIEND took me out to dinner which was nice but it could have been any night of the year," junior Kelly Kenneally said.

Despite how individual students felt about Valentine's Day, decorations and increased flower sales in the 'Burg proves that love is definitely in the air.





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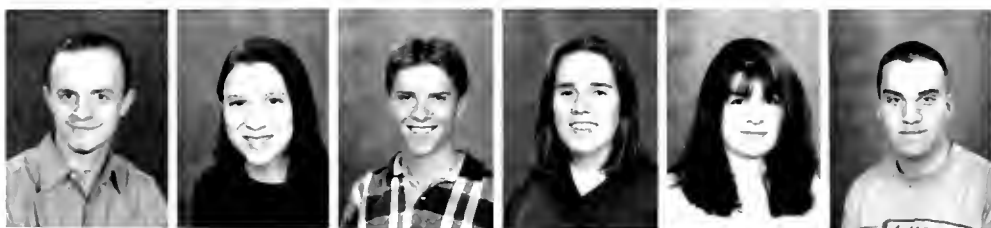
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# Assessment Day

*For some students, a day off. For others, just another day of test taking*

by ERIN BINNEY

On Feb. 18, 1997, JMU canceled classes not because of snow or flooding, but for Assessment Day. Freshmen and juniors had the day off, while sophomores and some seniors were assigned one of two testing times according to their social security numbers. The tests measured a variety of things from academic subjects to personal **GROWTH**.

Junior Rosalind Morris was happy with her "sleep day" this year. However, she vividly remembered the tests she took last year — "all essay," she said. Morris added that assessment testing can be frustrating because "you never see the **RESULTS** so you don't know the purpose."

Dr. T. Dary Erwin, director of student assessment, said that the results of some tests are not published because many of the **TESTS** are still under revision. The results of other tests, however, such as the ones taken at orientation, are sent to students via e-mail. Erwin said the results of all tests are used for internal purposes. "They help us to see how courses and programs are doing at JMU," he said. The results are also looked at by the state.

Senior Anne Walsh never had to participate in Assessment Day because of the number of **CREDIT** hours she had earned. "Assessment Day is good for me because I get the day off," she said.



Taking advantage of the day off from classes, Jim White and Michael Hogan venture on a hike in the Shenandoah Valley. While some students were testing on campus, others made the best of the free day to relax and unwind.

R. Williams

Taking the first round of assessment tests, these students try to concentrate on the task at hand. The tests were aimed at tracking improvement in learning and comprehension after four years at JMU.



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Walsh felt that the most effective assessment testing was that which seniors took. Seniors were tested on material they studied in their major either through a senior seminar course, a capstone course or a written test, Erwin said.

Unlike Walsh, most students were unable to **ESCAPE** the tests. "Every year I dream about being one of the chosen few who does not have to take part, but the dream never becomes a reality," said senior Kristin Temple.

For students who did not have to participate in Assessment Day, the day was used to catch up on sleep, school work and relaxation. Those who did participate provided the university with valuable information about its students.

# Sleeping Spots

*When late-night study sessions and parties finally take their toll*

by AMY KELLER

Sleep deprivation is a universal problem for nearly all college students. With tests, papers, labs, parties and other social events piling up and lasting well into the night, sleep is often the first thing **SACRIFICED**.

"There are just so many things to do at college that sleeping is no longer a priority," said freshman Sara Yakovac. "But eventually the lack of sleep catches up with me and I fall asleep in class or in the library when I should be studying."

For many students who sacrificed their precious nightly hours to do schoolwork, sleeping during the **DAY** was a common occurrence.

"I'm usually up until at least 3 a.m. doing something," said junior Jen Graham "All I can think about during the day is taking a **NAP** but I know if I go home and get in bed I will sleep the day away. So instead I usually go to the airport lounge and lay down in one of the big, **COMFY** chairs."

The airport lounge, a popular meeting spot for students, is known for its couches and chairs that beckon students and lull them to sleep. "It never fails," said sophomore Matt Ellison. "If I go up there to read the paper or watch TV, I'm **ASLEEP** in no time. The only bad thing is that there are so many people around that just as I'm falling into a **DEEP**, dark sleep somebody gets real loud and wakes me up."



After staying up all night studying for a test, Christine VanVleck takes a quick nap in her room. Many beds became places for eating, socializing, studying and occasionally sleeping.

Taking a quick catnap in the airport lounge in Warren Hall, this student falls asleep on the soft couches. At any time during the day, many students were found sound asleep on the big pillows and chairs in the lounge.



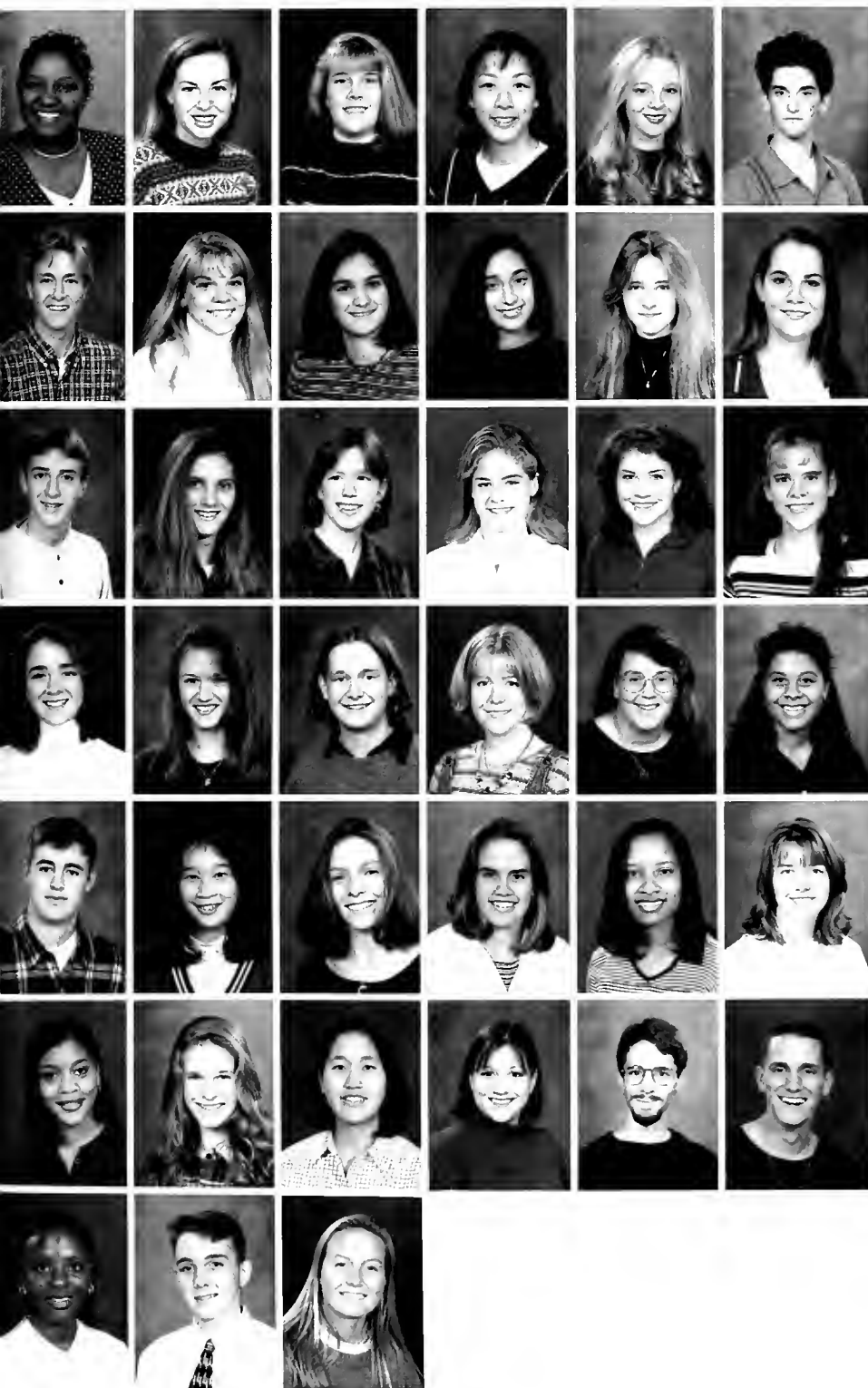
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Although many of the renowned sleeping spots on campus were crowded with talking students, there were spots void of the chatter.

"I love to sleep on the **QUAD**," said senior Brian Mix. "Even during the winter when it's cold I take a big jacket out and I sleep like a baby."

In addition to the **AIRPORT** lounge and the **Quad**, students could also occasionally be seen napping in the mail room, under a tree by Newman Lake and sometimes even in **D-Hall**.

"I went to **D-Hall** to study during finals and I guess I fell asleep," junior Shilpa Mathi said. "I was so **EMBARRASSED** when one of the women who works there had to wake me up when the building closed."



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# CONQUER

It wasn't so long ago that athletics at James Madison University rested in the hands of women. Competitive lady-like sports like badminton, table tennis, shuffle board, archery, basketball and synchronized swimming attracted many of the students. Today, however, JMU offers more than 26 varsity sports for male and female students alike, possessing a cultural diversity of athletes and a wide variety of events. Student participation in sports began primarily as a form of recreation for those interested in exercising their bodies as much as their minds. It has evolved, though, to become a large part of the college experience, encompassing much of the excitement and spirit that is synonymous with athletics at JMU. Madison has become home to some of the best athletes in all areas of sport: varsity, club and intramurals. With the support of fans and the drive of the athletes, the Dukes can conquer all.

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Wendy C. Crocker & Becky A. Lillard

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Preventing a Maine opponent from advancing the ball past the line of scrimmage, line-backer Jason Parmer and free safety John Stein help stop the play. With a great defense, the Dukes held the Maine offense to only seven points.



## For the Record

JMU		OPP.
30	Shippensburg	0
24	McNeese State	10
38	Boston University	7
22	New Hampshire	39
31	Maine	7
26	William & Mary	21
31	Richmond	27
13	Delaware	27
7	Northeastern	31
14	Connecticut	6
23	Villanova	40



Showing their excitement after another win, Grant Clarke, George Loudon and Doug Bigelow raise their helmets in the air. This tradition contributed a feeling of comradery and superiority to the team morale.

As William & Mary opponents fall to the ground, wide receiver Macey Brooks runs up the field with the help of tight end Ed Perry's blocking skills. Teamwork proved to be the key to the Dukes' success in the long run.



# IN THE ZONE

## ..... Football .....

With high expectations from the past few years of success, the football team prepared for another season of excellence with sights placed on a conference title. With an early exit from the Yankee Conference tournament last year, the Dukes hoped to avenge that loss and make a statement about the worth of this new rejuvenated team.

The season began on Sept. 7, with JMU pitted against Shippensburg in a game much closer than most had expected. Going into halftime, the score was tied at zero. With the second half still to be played, JMU had a lot of ques-

tions to answer about the quality of play exhibited in the first half. The team answered these questions with a burst of offense and solid defense. The Dukes took charge of the second half, shutting out Shippensburg, 30-0.

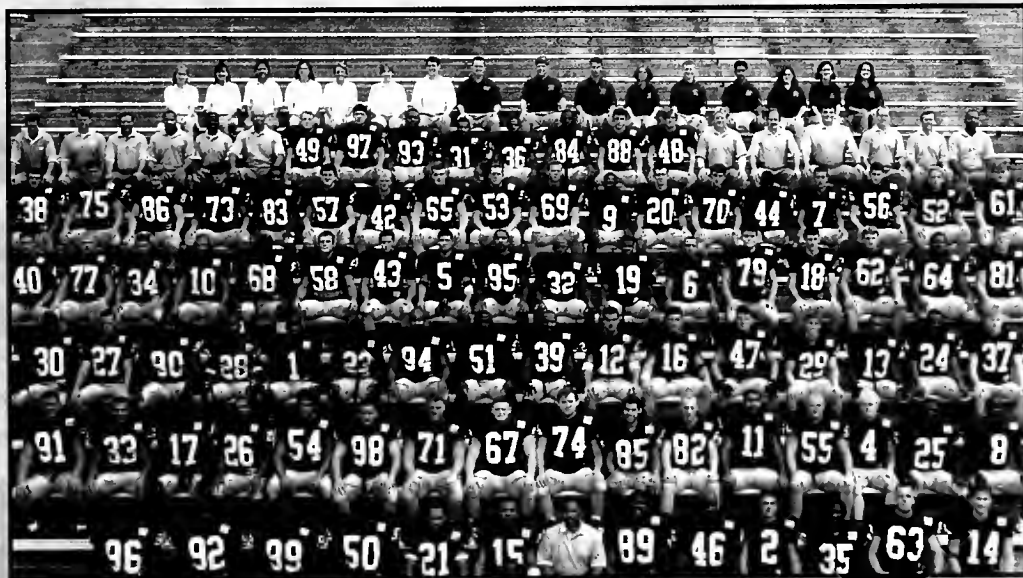
The first game symbolized much of what the football team went through this season. Though tough times brought tough losses for the team, these were all learning experiences for the team and head coach Alex



Cantrell

Wood.

The theme of the JMU football, in its 25th year, was that of rebuilding. Though JMU returned 42 lettermen from last season's 8-4 team, it also lost 25 play-



First Row: Dave Forbes, Julius Williams, Steve Logan, Bryan Jackson, Kelvin Jeter, Jay Jones, coach Alex Wood, Ed Perry, Gerald Smith, John Stein, Akiba Byrd, David Byerly, Willie Gonzalez. Second Row: Eric Byrom, Marcus Ordonez, Macey Brooks, Delmat Christian, Chet Mitchell, Dirk Phillips, Carter Robertson, Sonny Hathaway, Ingram Haley, Samir Suleiman, Matt Brown, Tony Jordan, Doug Bigelow, John Coursey, D'Arragan Townes, David Lee. Third Row: Alan Haston, Chris Wright, John Pettis, Torrey Tillman, Tony Booth, Travis Grandison, Derrick Ball, Jonathan Dean, Damon Roberts, Danny Steeper, Mike Masella, Andy Bailey, Matt Devine, George Loudon, K'Shawn Harlan, PJ Ross. Fourth Row: Nelson Garner, Mike Straub, Chris Capehart, Clifford Wimberly, Dee Shropshire, Jason Farmer, Kevin Aspinall, John Wakely, Jeremy Bridges, Rashaun Stovall, Tim Carper, Wayne Bacon, Cory Clark, Greg Maddox, Matt Gaumier, James Roberson, Murray Douglas. Fifth Row: Jerry McCommons, Mike Deady, Matt Lyons, Kevin Reinhardt, Earnert Payton, Grant Clarke, Ryan Perry, Jason Inskeep, Doug Kelley, Andy Bonham, Benny Griffin, Andy Carson, Mike Cox, Mark Coates, John DeFilippo, Jeremy Shelton, Matt Peterson, Matt Von Schuch. Sixth Row: Fred Hatfield, Greg Werner, Tom Everson, Rod Plummer, Alan Baskin, Ron Prince, Kirk Mulligan, Ryan Ferguson, Sherrod Briggs, BJ Thornley, CJ Evans, Chris Watkins, Jason Bailey, Mike Crabill, Rick Clark, Dan Werner, Ron Mattes, Tim Pendergast, Bob Crocker, Kent Schoolfield. Seventh Row: Kelly Stiles, Kelly Rothwell, Oanh Vuong, Amy Stephenson, Brandy Palmore, Nancy Propst, BJ Irvine, Dan Roland, Jeff Kaminski, Chase Hale, Emily Kelly, Brad Sandella, Andrew Scalia, Anna Ferguson, Amy Morris, Julie Haldebrand.

# IN THE ZONE

.....Football.....

ers, including 12 starters.

The offense was solid at key positions with tight end Ed Perry and Gerald Smith making a deadly combination, and wide receivers Macey Brooks and Jay Jones. The defense was also solid with David Lee and John Stein.

After Shippensburg, the Dukes traveled to McNeese State to face a very tough team that was undefeated in the previous year. Behind the 119 rushing yards of Kelvin Jeter and another solid defensive performance, JMU overpowered the team and prevailed, 24-10. They then went to Boston University,

where adversity hit. Quarterback Willie Gonzalez was injured and had to leave the game. Greg Maddox was called in to replace him and threw two touchdown

passes to Brooks. JMU came out on top, 30-10.

Having lost running back Jeter and Gonzalez to injuries, the team looked out for the count. On

Parents Weekend JMU fell to the University of New Hampshire, 39-22. But, JMU free safety John Stein was named defensive player of the week by ESPN, having recorded 22 tackles. Though injured and down, the Dukes came back strong on Homecoming and defeated Maine, 31-7.

The stage was set for the true test, conference rival William & Mary. The game was tight and at times JMU was down, but came through with a victory due to a 94-yard interception by Tony Jordan, which broke a JMU record, and 36 carries by running back Kelvin.



● Jonathan Lekstutis ●



Watching his teammates on the field, senior Ed Perry rests on the sideline. Perry made first-team All-Yankee Conference twice and All-American in Bob Griese's pre-season magazine.

Stopping his opponent in his tracks, Matt Brown fights to make himself available to receive the ball from the quarterback. Brown was named JMU's most improved receiver during spring practice in '95 and '96.





Behind the strong blocking of Ed Perry and Gerald Smith, tailback Kelvin Jeter crashes through the defensive line. Using strong offensive skills, JMU successfully conquered William & Mary, 26-21.

Celebrating his victory, cornerback Torrey Tillman proudly turns to the cheering crowd. The football team, which competed in both a spring and fall season, held daily practices consisting of conditioning, drills and weight training.





With stick skills, freshman Julie Weiss sent the ball down the field past the opponent. Weiss came to the Dukes as a two-time high school All-Central League player in both field hockey and lacrosse.



## For the Record

JMU	OPP.
0	North Carolina
1	Wake Forest
3	Marshall
6	VCU
2	Massachusetts
4	St. Louis
5	Ridgmont
5	St. Joseph
1	U. Va.
3	U.S.
1	Richmond
0	Averett
3	Maryland
4	Bell State
9	Duke & Elbert
2	William & Mary
0	Old Dominion
1	Stanford
4	Villanova
	North Carolina



Showing confidence and strength on the field, senior midfielder Karen Zarchin sends a push pass to a teammate. Zarchin made the All-South second team in 1995 and is co-holder of JMU's single-game assist record.

Attacking their opponent, JMU's defense makes its move as freshmen Julie Weiss and Colleen Kreiger try to take away the ball. This year's incoming players had more experience than typical freshmen.





# ON A MISSION

..... Field Hockey .....

Last year the JMU field hockey team, coached by Olympian Christy Morgan, extended its regular season win streak against teams in the CAA to 17 and claimed the 1995 CAA trophy. The team also played in its third straight NCAA tournament, making it to the Final Four for the second year in a row.

This year, with those accomplishments behind them, the team hoped to keep its CAA championship title. The team faced a tough schedule as 12 of its 18 regular season games were away. It began and ended its season against North Carolina, the 1995 NCAA champion and also traveled to four schools that were all ranked in the Top 20 when the season began. The Dukes themselves began the season ranked fourth.

With the graduation of key players, one of the team's objectives was to find a player to fill Carole Thate's role. The team was young with only two returning seniors and seven freshmen. Morgan said, "Coming into the season with only three returning

starters set the tone for a challenge, but it was a challenge that everyone accepted. With each game, we learned and grew. We were a young team and with youth you're going to go through a lot of growth and inconsistency. We definitely challenged the best teams in the nation."

This season, a change in the official rules eliminated offsides, which resulted in higher scoring games. There wasn't one player who dominated the team. Leading scorers on the team included Julie Martinez, Dianne Cegielski, Karen Zarchin and Nicole Gaudette. The Dukes' defense was anchored by Kelly Krieger, Karen Zarchin and Tara Perilla. Perilla said, "We're really young; we had only three seniors and seven freshmen. We had a lot of potential and a lot of skill."

While this year might have been seen as a challenge, it was also viewed as an opportunity. The team reshaped itself this year and had considerable success while doing so. The team looks forward to repeating its success next year.

● Keri Rumerman ●



First Row: Jill Novasad, Julie Martinez, Coleen Kreiger, Katrina Hunter, Jessica Kane, Sara Perilla, Julie Weiss. Second Row: Stacey Sullivan, Paula Garcia-Tufro, Jaime Kelso, Nicole Gaudette, Kristen Manson, Holly Garriot, Tara Perilla, Jen Williams. Third Row: Dianne Cegielski, Colleen Hurley, Tara Nappi, Co-captain Kelly Kreiger, Co-captain Karen Zarchin.

*c/o the Breeze, Laura Soular*

*c/o the Breeze, Derek Rogers*

# DANCE FEVER

## ..... Dukettes .....

From complementing the marching band in Bridgeforth Stadium to taking center stage at the Convo, the Dukettes built on the energy of the crowds and players to put on the best performance for the Dukes and their fans.

"We put a lot into every performance," said Tara Smith. "We love being out in front of the crowd."

Afer joining the Marching Royal Dukes last season, the Dukettes have incorporated many new routines and moves into their repertoire. The team also accompanied the band during their halftime performance during the Washington Redskins/Dallas Cowboys game last year at RFK Stadium.

"Being part of the marching band halftime show has given us more exposure and more opportu-

nities to perform for the crowd," said Lindsey Awbrey.

In order to perfect its routines, the team practiced every day during the season. A strict regimen of dancing and conditioning kept the members in top shape. The high level of skill and energy led the team

to their first bid to compete at nationals.

"It was a real honor to be invited to Nationals," said Nancy Roht. "We were picked as being one of the best in the nation."

Although the Dukettes were individuals with their own style and flair, the combination of these differences is what added to their performance.

"If we all had the same moves, it would look mechanical rather than sharp," said Smith. "The reason that we

work so well together is that we all have different outlooks and interpretations of the moves. We all work differently but come together as a team to give the best possible performance for everyone."

● Sonal Dutt ●



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First Row: Kathleen Gecoma, Sara Brendmoen, Lindsey Awbrey, Tara Smith, Nancy Roht, Anita Aversano.

Second Row: Jennifer Poole, Mary Davidson, Jacqueline Nathaniel, Karen Gulakowski, Beverly Jackson, Lisa Cantu, Avianna Heck.

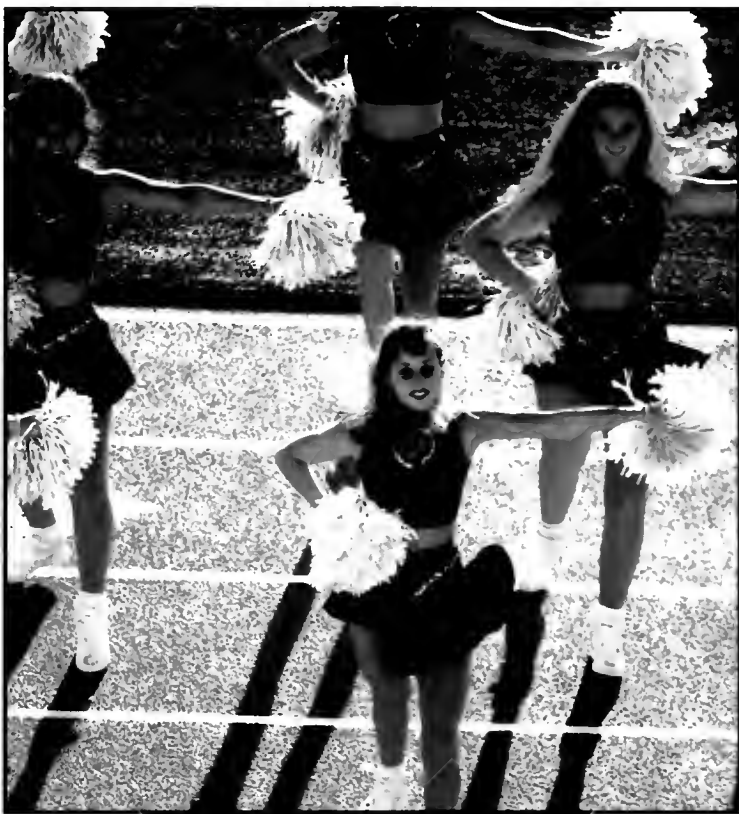




*Cantu*

Involving the crowd in the game, Beverly Jackson cheers for the football team. With a high level of energy and excitement, the Dukettes helped to keep the crowd spirited throughout the games.

Dancing at the football game, Lisa Cantu, Tara Smith and Kathleen Gecoma add pep to the event. The Dukettes performed at all of the home games, which helped to raise the spirit of the fans.



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Watching the band finish its halftime show, the Dukettes wait patiently for their own halftime routine to begin. The hard work and dedication of the Dukettes was apparent in all of their routines.

Dancing to the music, Anita Aversano shows off her moves. The Dukettes practiced for hours each day to perfect the routines they performed at home football and basketball games throughout the year.

# CLUB CRAZY

Club sports, ranging from caving to roller hockey, were an important part of the JMU community. Students gave many reasons for joining club sports. Some said they did it for the social aspects of joining a club. Kelly Jensen joined the Water Polo Club because she "wanted to meet new people and have fun." Others said they did it for the exercise and because the varisty level was too competitive or time consuming. Still others said that they wanted to try a sport simply because it sounded interesting.

The clubs competed at different levels. Some competed in leagues, others traveled to tournaments and a few clubs just competed within the JMU community. The Rugby Club, for example, was a member of the Virginia Rugby Union. The league included other Virginia schools such as Virginia Tech, Old Dominion University and William & Mary. The club traveled to different colleges during

the year to play against that school's club team or in a tournament. These clubs gave their members opportunities to take part in the development of leadership as well as group and social functions. They offered a break in the monotony of academic life and gave rise to new friendships and skills.

Hunter Bankart, a member of the Rugby Club, said he enjoyed the "comradery" he developed with his teammates. Members of all club sports shared a comradery with one another by getting involved. They made it apparent that these clubs were an important and fun part of life at Madison.

"Club sports had a successful year. Both the mens' and womens' soccer teams attended Nationals in Austin,

Texas. They qualified for Nationals by placing first in the region. It was a very exciting year," said Tamer Moumen, president of the Men's Soccer Club and the club sports council. "I can't wait until next season."

Forming common bonds among students who love to play, club sports offer diversity and free-spirited competition.

● Patrick Cropper ●



Working together as a team was an important goal for the Men's Soccer Club "A" team. Although the team was focused on the game, the members still valued their time off the field when they were able to relax and enjoy each other's company.





Sharing a strong feeling of accomplishment, four members of the Women's Soccer Club team proudly display their State Championship title. Like many club teams, they practiced almost every afternoon.

## Club Sports

Bowling  
Caving  
Crew  
Cycling  
Field Hockey  
Gymnastics  
Lacrosse  
Martial Arts  
Outing  
Roller Hockey  
Rugby/Football  
Skiing  
Ski Racing  
Soccer  
Softball  
Tae Kwon Do  
Tennis  
Volleyball  
Water Polo



Standing his ground, this player enjoys his position as goalie for the coed Field Hockey Club team. Unlike many of the divided varsity sports, several club teams offered men's, women's and coed teams, which added a new twist to the games.

Having a good time while playing a sport they love, members of the Women's Lacrosse Club team had a fun-filled season. The team members gained experience in the sport and formed strong friendships that will help them work as a team in the years to come.



# SPIRIT SHAKERS

## ..... Cheerleaders .....

The 1996-97 cheerleaders made the year a success through hard work, dedication and teamwork. Despite a few minor setbacks, the team looked great during its routines. "Everybody pulled together and worked that much harder this season to compensate for our losses," explained sophomore Pat Lovett.

One of the team's strengths was the well-roundedness of skills. "There are a lot of really talented people who are skilled in different ways, so when we come together, we are great as a team," said freshman Jennifer Burrell.

"The team works really well together. There is a unique bond holding us together this year. It's really neat," captain Kim Shuford added.

Last year the cheerleading squad placed first in the Division I National Championship. Members persevered to bring home the gold once again. Sophomore Clay Rowland said, "We want to go back and defend our national championship. If we work hard

and practice hard, I think we can do it."

Coach Rickey Hill tried to give the squad a new, clean look with sharper moves. "We're trying to add a lot of new things that people haven't seen, such as different tricks that make us different," he said.



Conquest

The relationship between the team and the crowd plays an important role during the games, and the cheerleaders act as a medium between the two. Captain Ron Farrington said, "When the team is down, we help the crowd get back into it, which helps the team get back on their feet." Jennifer Burrell agreed: "The higher our level of enthusiasm and the more willing we are to pay attention to the crowd, the more the crowd yells, and this helps the team to score even more," she said.

The squad also devoted time to the Duke Club, different charities and the Multiple Sclerosis walk. "It's good to see these guys in another world besides jumping around at games," said Hill.

● Sarah Macaleer ●



First Row: Ryan Woolsey, Amanda Hubbard, Clay Rowland, Tara Henson, Pat Lovett, Kim Shuford, Ron Farrington, Jennifer Marnane, David Mills, Tracy Gerdes, Bary Slouikosky, Katie Miller, Chris Traczyk, Jennifer Whitesell, Julie Graves Second Row: Brian Rivero, Hung Thanh Nguyen, Jennifer Smith, Jon Regetz, Kim Machemar, Clark Coole, Jennifer Parsons, Kenneth Moulton, Kirstin Alvanitakis, Daniel Courtenay, Kelly Crast, Paul Votiprichar, Jill Gardi, Dave.





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Cheering the Dukes on to victory, Kim Shuford spreads her enthusiasm to the crowd. The cheerleaders were instrumental in keeping the crowd cheering and yelling at the football and basketball games.



Cantrill



Cantrill

Balance is key! The JMU cheerleaders perform a pyramid during the Homecoming football game. It was exciting to watch the stunts of the cheerleaders in their different routines.

Getting pumped! The cheerleaders show their excitement to the spectators during the Homecoming football game. The cheerleaders were able to get the crowd enthused.

Celebrating after winning the tournament, members of the team give each other high fives. A new head coach gave the team a new outlook and focus on the season, placing more importance on teamwork and determination.



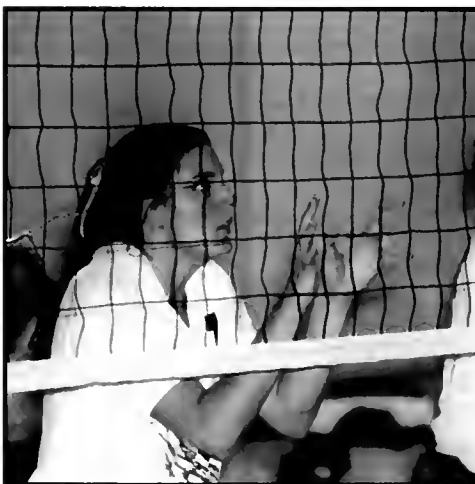
## For the Record

JMU		OPP.
3	Bradley	0
3	Mississippi State	1
0	Marshall	3
3	Western Kentucky	1
3	Drexel	0
3	Delaware	0
3	Bowling Green	1
0	Northwestern	3
3	UNC-Asheville	2
3	Campbell	0
3	East Carolina	0
3	Mercer	1
3	Radford	0
0	Valparaiso	3
3	Princeton	2
3	Morgan State	1
1	Delaware	3
3	Liberty	0
3	American	0
0	George Mason	3
0	U Va.	3
3	American	0
3	Bucknell	0
2	Colgate	3
3	Campbell	0
3	William & Mary	0
3	VCU	0
1	UM-BC	3
3	Towson State	0
3	UNC-Wilmington	0
3	East Carolina	1



Waiting a serve from her opponent, Kari Kopnicky gets ready to set the ball. Kopnicky and teammate Jamie Neitz competed for the position of setter on the team this year. They both improved during spring practice and had their own abilities that made them valuable.

Diving for the ball, teammates Kari Kopnicky and Susan Martin tumble over each other to save the point. The team practices not only improved squad strength and skill, but also promoted a feeling of spirit and unity within the members of the team.



Molewski

# A SPIKE ABOVE

## ..... Volleyball .....

Under the direction of first-year head coach Chris Beerman, the volleyball team got off to a good start in two early season tournaments, capturing first place at both the Thundering Herd Invitational and the Campbell Classic.

Beerman, along with his wife, Mary-Beth, and Robert Pulliza officially took over the squad in early 1996 and led the team through a successful spring season during which the Dukes gained confidence for the regular season. All three coaches were standout volleyball players at Ball State University.

"We had the entire spring to regroup," Beerman said. "Our goal was to keep pushing forward and getting better and better every day in practice."

Sparked by the new training style and philosophy as well as the return of senior Susan Martin after a

one-year hiatus, the Dukes surpassed last season's win total of nine early in the season.

"We're in more of a winning mode this season," Beerman said. "We set our sights high and we're not thinking about the past."

Lindsay Collingwood and Beth Tyson added to the team's overall success by excelling early on. Collingwood was named MVP of the Campbell Classic, one of five such honors for her this season, and CAA Player of the Week twice.

The Dukes also got strong performances from Kristie Davidson and Kari Kopnick.

One of the team's goals this season was to reach the 20-win mark, which they met

with a win over VCU. Other goals included winning each tournament, excelling in the CAA Championships and possibly earning an NCAA bid.



Molewski

• Amy Keller •



First Row: Chuck Wenger, Jamie Neitz, Shelley Vignovich, Leisha Jones, Taryn Kirk, Trainer Keistie Pugh. Second Row: Coach Chris Beerman, Latreece Wilson, April Spotts, Kari Kopnick, Bevin O'Conner, Valerie Kaput, Assistant Coach Robert Pulliza, Assistant Coach Mary-Beth Beerman. Third Row: Naomi Kittredge, Lindsay Collingwood, Mandy Carter, Kristie Davidson, Beth Tyson, Susan Martin.

# KICKIN' IT

..... Men's Soccer .....

Coming off one of the most successful years in the history of the program, the JMU men's soccer team entered the 1996 season with high expectations of returning to the NCAA Tournament and surpassing the accomplishments of the 1995 team.

The Dukes entered the season ranked 16th in the nation by *Soccer America* and proved their ability to take on any team in the country with a 1-1 tie against San Francisco in a preseason match. Senior Sipi Savolainen scored the Dukes' lone goal.

Without last season's stars Pat McSoreley, Nathan Fairchild and Danny Ensley, the Dukes had to reconstruct their midfield and find new goal scorers. Junior Jake Edwards and sophomores Mike Brizindine and Kevin Knight took over the scoring responsibilities early on guiding the team to a 11-0 start. Edwards led the team in scoring with 11 goals before reinjuring his foot in the Oct. 12, 6-0 win over

UNC-Wilmington.

Despite the loss of last-year's players, the team did not lose any team unity. "We played like a team and worked hard for each other," said senior tri-captain Barry Purcell.

As in past years, the Dukes' defense was steady from the beginning and the key to many wins. Led by goalkeeper Purcell, the defense included senior tri-captains Kyle Swords and Mark Miles. Purcell set a school record for consecutive minutes on the field (643 minutes, 42 seconds) that stretched from the Sept. 2

win over Virginia Tech to the overtime win over Maryland on Oct. 9. Purcell also led Division I keepers in goals against average (0.21) through Oct. 13 and was named Colonial Athletic Association player of the week for the week ending Oct. 6.

In the JMU/Sheraton Four Points Invitational, the Dukes hosted the University of Delaware



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Getting ready to kick the ball past his opponent, this player puts his all into the kick. Under the direction of head coach Tom Martin, the soccer team played well together, reaching the NCAA Tournament again this season.



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Heading the ball, midfielder Jon Rutland tries to gain possession. With a deep roster of players, the Dukes were banking on the skill of the returning veterans and the enthusiasm of the rookies to carry them to another successful season.

Scrambling to regain control of the ball, sophomore Kevin Knight leaves his opponent behind. Knight was a member of the All-CAA second team during his freshman year, as well as being named the JMU Rookie of the Year in 1995.



*Cantwell*



*Cantwell*

Giving his teammate a high five on the way up the field, senior forward Jari Takatalo proudly celebrates the Dukes' goal. Takatalo scored two game winning goals in 1995, one of which was in the first round of the CAA tournament.

Jumping up and knocking his opponent down, senior Mike Miles is able to gain control of the ball with ease. As one of the team's tri-captains, Miles stepped up defensively and offensively to help lead the Dukes to another trip to the NCAA Tournament.

Maneuvering around his opponent, senior Sipi Savolainen uses his wit and fancy footwork during a home game. During the '96 season the Dukes worked more on offense, trying to keep a constant forward motion.



## For the Record

JMU		OPP.
17	Virginia Tech	11
12	Delaware	4
34	East Carolina	5
13	Richmond	12
14	Rider	8
7	Wake Forest	9
11	American	15
15	George Mason	16
15	Maryland	21
18	UNC Wilmington	22
4	VCU	7
0	William & Mary	1
2	Florida International	3
2	Baylor	1
4	Mount St. Mary	1
4	ODU	1
2	Richmond	1
5	CAA Tournament	1
1	ODU	1
1	Richmond	1
1	William & Mary	1
1	NCAA Tournament	1
1	Maryland	1



Passing his opponent, junior Geoff Honeysett quickly makes a run for the goal. JMU opened the 1996 soccer season ranked 22nd by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

Bracing himself for a powerful kick, senior Kyle Swords puts a great amount of effort into the game. As captain of the team, Swords set an example for the players with three years of NCAA tournament experience.





# KICKIN' IT

.....Men's Soccer.....

and defeated the Blue Hens, 4-0. Savolainen, Knight, Geoff Honeysett and Kosta Bournelis were named to the All-Tournament Team.

The Dukes had early season wins over CAA rivals East Carolina, American, George Mason, UNC-W and Virginia Commonwealth and defeated ACC opponents Wake Forest, 1-0 in regulation and Maryland, 2-1 in overtime.

The team, ranked No. 2 in the nation by *Soccer America* at the time suffered its first loss to William & Mary on Oct. 19. The 3-0 loss to the Tribe was the first of 3 consecutive losses for the Dukes who had not lost three consecutive matches since the 1987 season. The losing streak included South Bell Classic losses to Florida International 3-2 and Butler 3-2.

The Dukes regained their composure and easily defeated Mount St. Mary's, 4-0, and Old Do-

minion, 4-0, to complete their home schedule. The regular season ended with a 2-2 tie with Richmond that earned the Dukes the second seed in the CAA tournament held in Wilmington, N.C.

JMU easily defeated ODU in the first round of the conference tournament then squeezed by Richmond in two rounds of penalty kicks to advance to the final against W&M. The Tribe once again put an end to the Dukes' win streak, with a 2-0 win.

The team earned an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament and faced Maryland in College Park in the first round. JMU led the game 1-0 with eight minutes remaining before the Terrapins scored the equalizer that sent the game into overtime. The Dukes

were unable to extend their three-game win streak against the Terrapins who scored in the overtime period to put an end to the Dukes' season.



Cantwell

● Amy Keller ●



First Row: Paul Johnston, Kevin Knight, John Rutland, Dave Mason, Josh Stolfus, Andrew Renuart, Kent Hallman.  
Second Row: Steve Dirks, Afolabi Lawal, Chris Sweeney, Pete Stoyas, Umesh Vemuri, Mark Miles, Trevor Hirst, Ken Mehler. Third Row: Geoff Honeysett, Jari Takatalo, Hisham Gomes, Brian Pastor, Eric Hymowitz, Barry Purcell, Billy DuRoss, Kjarri Antonsson, Matt Fitzpatrick, Kyle Swords.

# GOAL DIGGERS

## .....Women's Soccer.....

Last year the women's soccer team, consisting of nine underclassmen, won the CAA championship and advanced to the Sweet 16 round of the NCAA tournament. This year, under the leadership of head coach Dave Lombardo and assistant coach Barb Chura, JMU was considered the team to beat. The team had a difficult schedule, but JMU proved to be a worthy opponent.

Lombardo said the four seniors on the team provided a spark and pushed the team to excel. Samantha Andersch, one of the best center midfielders in the country, and co-captain Kristi Palmaccio set a solid foundation in the midfield; Jen Cuesta, JMU's 1995 defensive MVP, anchored the defense; and forward Julie Mason was a valuable reserve player.

The Dukes enjoyed depth on the forward line with several players capable of filling the starting positions. Because the offense was well-balanced and well-rounded, the team didn't look to one person for

all of the scoring. Tasha Ellis was one of the leading scorers on the team and had the potential to be one of the leading scorers in the country. Sophomore Therese Wolden was also a top scorer, aided by her speed and finishing ability. Other valuable scorers were midfielder Lauren Stritzl and junior co-captain Stacey Tourtellotte,

who was considered the workhorse of the offensive line. The experience of returning starters made the defense strong. Sweeper Lisack, commented, "We came together well as a team and played to our strengths. Defense-wise we did well also. We were comfortable playing with each other. I was confident with us back there."

This year's women's soccer team showed its great skill and potential. According to Lombardo, "We played well. We were in the Top 20 almost every week. We were a better team in terms of playing ability and leadership, and we played one game at a time." The team has already enjoyed considerable success and expects to continue the winning tradition in seasons to come.



Dan

● Keri Rurerman ●



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 First Row: coach Dave Lombardo. Second Row: Manager Heather Lodovico, Erin Nash, Alison Schuch, Mackenzie Cashman, Christy Yacono, Lindsey Prevo, Liz Lawler, Amanda Crall, Jodi Jacoby, Jessica Williams, Jen Cuesta, Samantha Andersch, Lisa Cioffi, Jen Graham, Therese Wolden. Third Row: Lindsay Tyrrel, Assistant Coach Barb Chura, assistant coach Brad Saul, Mira Singer, Stacy Bilodeau, co-captain Kristi Palmaccio, Rebecca Lisack, Liz Costa, Beth Manghi, Julie Mason, co-captain Stacey Tourtellotte, Tasha Ellis, Aimee Vaughan, Lauren Stritzl, Jess Marion, assistant coach Ann Jenks.  
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Daniels



Daniels

Racing to beat a George Mason player to the ball, Lisa Cioffi gives it her all. Cioffi was instrumental as a defensive player this year, with a bright future during her three remaining years of eligibility.



## For the Record

JMU		OPP.
1	Penn State	2
1	Villanova	0
4	Vanderbilt	3
1	Maryland	2
4	Princeton	1
2	UVA	2
6	Old Dominion	1
4	Richmond	0
4	Brown	0
3	George Washington	1
3	VCU	0
1	Rutgers	3
1	George Mason	1
4	UNC-Wilmington	1
1	East Carolina	0
3	American	0
1	UNC-Greensboro	3
3	Virginia Tech	0
3	William & Mary	2



Daniels

Getting ready to head the ball, forward Tasha Ellis beats her opponent to the ball. Last year Ellis was third on the team in scoring and she ranks 11th in goals scored on JMU's career lists.

Dribbling the ball down the field, forward Therese Wolden advances the ball towards the goal past her opponent. A native of Norway, Wolden was the leading freshman scorer last season.

**T**he 1994 Maryland State High School Tournament champion Julie [Name] is the gold ball towards the hole as she goes for a hole in one. [Name] is on the JMU golf team and [Name] is the 1994 Maryland State High School Tournament champion.

**F**ollowing through with her stroke, Senior Kristin Dollenburg leaves her mark on the green at Spotswood Country Club. Dollenburg received a place on the 1996 All-Scholar Golf Team.



**H**itting the ball out of the rough, Junior Danielle Zahaba swings towards the fairway. Zahaba was the 1995 Longwood Invitational champion and was named the JMU women's golf team's Most Valuable Player.



# UP SWING

## ..... Women's Golf .....

Somewhere between academia and athleticism exists golf. An enduring intellectual challenge, golf is a combination of strategy and fluidity of motion.

The JMU women's golf team was comprised of seven talented individuals. While the number of players was small, the team's depth yielded a formidable force in the college arena. Led by Jeff Forbes in his first year of coaching, the team responded to a demanding fall schedule filled with inclement weather and player injuries.

Forbes, an alumni golfer, returned to JMU after three years on the Future's Tour. His background and experience were complemented by the team's two tournament wins, a reduction of individual stroke averages and a solid recruiting year. He believed that continual success in these areas will lead to a Top 25 national ranking.

Forbes described the young team as "a great

group of girls who have the talent to perform, but who think too much on the course, which can hamper their true natural playing abilities." Freshmen players Charisse Doles, Heather Jeffries and Julie Russum answered the demands placed on student athletes. Returning to the JMU lineup were sophomore Sarah Hornes, juniors Kathryn Yard and Danielle Zahaba and senior Kristin Dollenburg.



*K. Williams*

The Lady Dukes began the season with a fifth-place finish at the Penn State Invitational. They then had a first-place finish at the Longwood Invitational, which proved to be a catalyst for a second-place finish at Methodist College. Other tournaments included UNC-Chapel Hill, the JMU Invitational, the East Coast Athletic Conference Championships and finally Georgia State.

The team ended the fall season looking forward to four spring tournaments.

● Danielle Zahaba and Kristin Dollenburg ●



First Row: Charisse Doles, Kristin Dollenburg, Danielle Zahaba. Back Row: Heather Jeffries, Julie Russum, Kathryn Yard, Sarah Hornes, Coach Jeff Forbes.



# MATCH THIS

## ..... Women's Tennis .....

Swinging into the 1996-97 season, the women's tennis team set goals with high expectations and a desire to be a tough team to "match". The Dukes established a reputation as one of the finest programs in the East.

Returning head coach Maria Malerba said, "We were really excited about getting the season started because we had a great group of kids who worked very hard and pushed each other to get better." Under Malerba, JMU boasts 17 winning seasons.

The Dukes returned with one senior, three juniors, two sophomores and two freshmen on the team. However, players and coaches were not concerned about a relatively young team. "We returned our No. 1 and No. 2 singles players and our No. 1 doubles combination. Also, our younger players were all so close in ability that they could be placed

anywhere from No. 4 to No. 8. With that kind of depth, I think we were very competitive," said Malerba.

At the JMU Fall Kickoff Tournament, the Dukes played Davidson College, George Mason University and American University, winning six out of eight possible singles and doubles titles. It was a tournament of domination, and members played as if they were in midseason form.

The women's tennis team started the season with impressive matches and skill. However, players began to slow their pace in the middle of the season. Following a competitive schedule, the team trailed the competition by a narrow margin. The team,

with a roster of highly skilled athletes driven to succeed, still remained focused and continued to keep faith in their ability as they strived to meet their goals.



● Wendy Crocker ●



First Row: Jamie Marlowe, Chrissy Travlos, Meredith Jamieson, Tory Schroeder, Dawn Jessen, Karen Piorkowski.

Second Row: Katie Piorkowski, Eleanor Lasseigh.





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Swinging her racket and serving the ball, Katie Plorkowski puts her all into her motion. A strong serve sets the tone for the entire point, giving the server the advantage in the game.

Hitting a powerful backhand, Jamie Marlowe returns her opponents serve. A player must counter a powerful serve with an equally powerful return. The team practiced drills to refine each important skill.



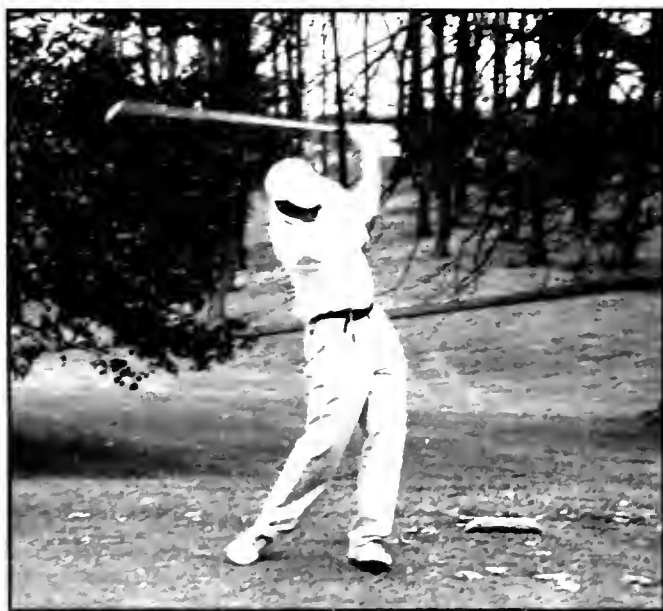
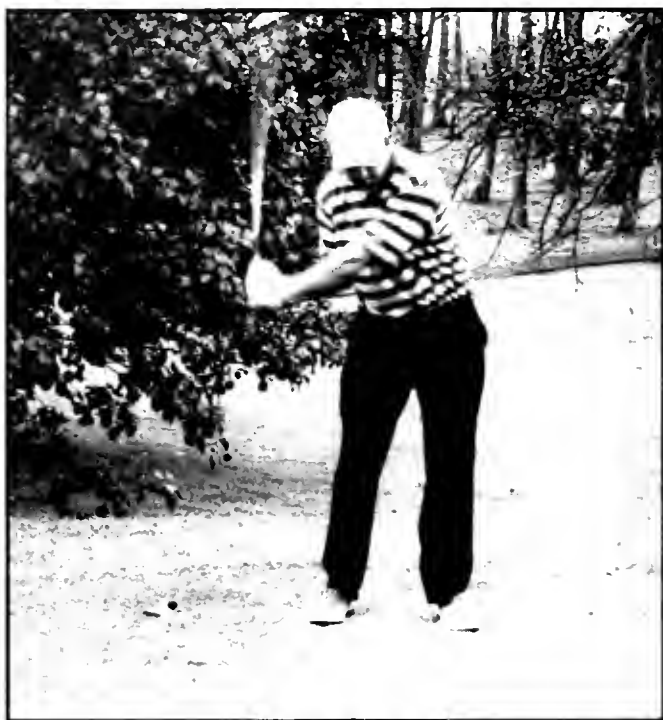
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Reaching to hit a forehand, Meredith Jamieson returns the ball to her opponent. Having a wide range of strokes gave the players more weapons to turn to.

Shane Foster, a sophomore with skillful technique, tees off on the golf ball on his way at Springwood Country Club. Lamerson tied for 11th place in the Georgetown Invitational and the Virginia Intercollegiate League tournaments.

Concentrating on his stance, freshman Shane Foster aims for the hole marker on the green. Foster led the JMU "B" team to eighth-place in the 23rd Annual JMU Men's Golf Tournament, where he earned an 11th place finish overall.



With quick and precise action, senior Eugene Ball tees off on the golf ball. The men's golf team is made up of four players, each with their own strengths and weaknesses. The team is working to better improve the team's overall performance.

On his way to play in the Role Collegiate Tour, senior David Mandlak collects his clubs and takes a minute to collect his thoughts about the upcoming round. Mandlak ended the JMU Men's Golf Fall Classic tied for seventh overall.

# A PAR-TEE!!

## .....Men's Golf.....

The JMU men's golf team entered the fall season strong, having achieved first-place honors in several spring tournaments. Players boasted the leadership of 1995 Virginia State Coach of the Year Paul Gooden, who said, "If the guys do okay, the coach does okay."

Despite the loss of three players, the team finished the fall season second in the district. Of the 10 members, only five travel to and compete in tournaments and invitationals. Bryan Jackson, Steve Ligi and David Mandulak consistently finished in the top four and made up the final team score.

"We do a lot more than people expect," Ligi said. He added they lifted weights three times a week, woke at 6:30 a.m. for aerobics and spent time in UREC.

At the Seton Hall Pirate Invitational, Jackson and Ligi were the top JMU finishers and the team finished second. The Dukes also finished second at the Georgetown Hoya Invitational. After tying for

fourth place at the Virginia Intercollegiate League Tournament, the team finished second at the JMU Fall Classic. Jackson finished eighth there and shot his first hole in one.

Tournament results were misleading. The team did not win any of the fall tournaments, but the scoring average dropped from 306 to 298 this year. Faber Jamerson explained, "We are playing better than we played last year, but other teams are playing better than we are."

Encouraging younger players were able to compete as a "B" team in the JMU Fall Classic. They finished eighth, beating several competitors' primary teams. Mandulak said the Fall Classic was the most memorable tournament of

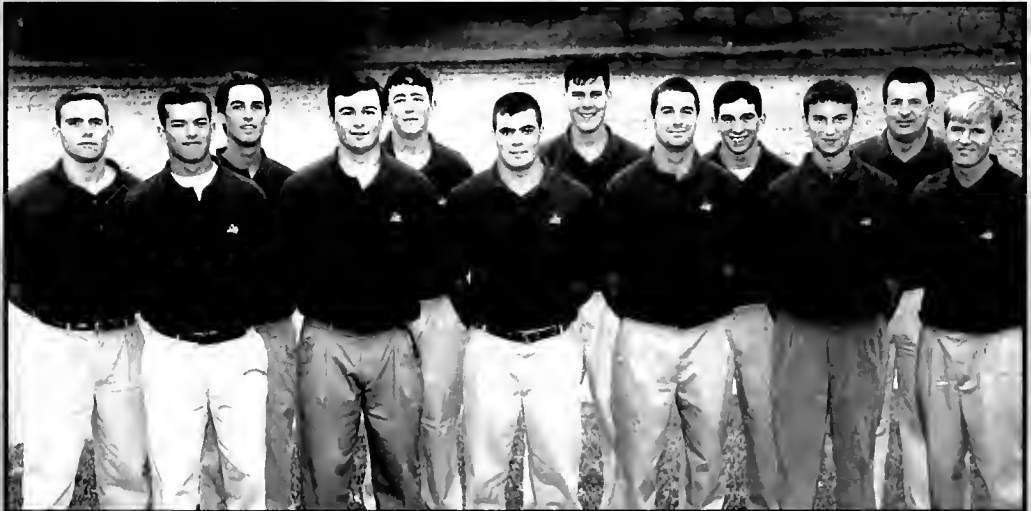
the fall season. "Our whole team was there. It was kind of nice — a special event to have."

"Our program is on the rise," Mandulak said. "We're getting better and better every semester. We feel soon it's going to pay off."



K. Williams

● Erin Binney ●



First Row: Richard Wintsch, Steve Ligi, Faber Jamerson, Bryan Jackson, Scott Polen, David Mandulak. Second Row: Assistant Coach Brady O'Neil, Ben Keefer, Shane Foster, Lanny Duncan, Scott Emerick, Coach Paul Gooden.

# LOVIN' IT

## Men's Tennis

Led by seniors Cullen de Windt and Peter Faigl, the men's tennis team had high expectations early in the season. The team strived to play to their fullest potential and bring home the CAA title.

The team competed in a fall and spring season, leaving little time for off season training. The rigorous match schedule kept the team focused and in shape for their upcoming season. "There really wasn't time to sit back and take it easy," said Chell Lamm. "If we weren't in direct competition, we were training and practicing."

The team opened their spring season at the Virginia Tech Invitational. Despite losing their first two matches to Appalachian State and Virginia Tech, the team went on to win the next three of four matches.

"It was a little discouraging to start out with losses, but we bounced back because we knew we were better than that," said de Windt.

With the spring season complete, the team turned their sights to the upcoming fall season. Coach Steve Secord planned to use the fall season to measure their strengths, determine the lineup and build confidence in his younger players.

Showing well in both singles and doubles competition, the team was on their way to a strong finish. However, February brought tough times, finishing the month 1-5, with their only win against West Virginia.

However, the Dukies would bounce back. With sights set high on bringing home the CAA title next season, the team is looking to add more weapons to an already talented roster of players.



Lamm

● Sonal Dutt ●



First Row: Landon Harper, Jeff Viring, Peter Faigl, John Bartlett, Matt Rowe, Brian Nelson. Second Row: John

Lisack, coach Steve Secord, Eric Weinburger, Cullen DeWindt.



Lane

Extending his body into perfect form to reach the ball, Matt Rowe makes serving look effortless. The men's tennis team strived to maintain their skills and playing ability throughout the season. The team's ultimate goal was to bring home the CAA title.

Serving it up! John Bartlett goes for match point to win the game. Although the season fell short of team pre-season expectations, the men's tennis team continued to keep their sights set on winning the CAA conference title and achieving future success.



Lane



Lane

Watching the tennis ball's every move, John Lisack remains focused throughout the tennis match. Members of the men's tennis team practiced daily to keep up their physical strength so they could endure a tough, competitive fall and spring schedule.



With a look of determination, Bethany Eigel competes at the University of Virginia Invitational. Eigel finished third this year in the CAA championships and seventh at the Maryland Invitational.

Tri-captain Tamarra Stewart tries to advance her position in the race. Stewart helped lead the team to a fifth place finish at the NCAA District II Championships and an eighth place finish at the ECACC.



Leading the pack, the women's cross-country team sets the pace for the rest of the runners with co-captain Tracey Livengood in the lead. Samantha Bates finished second at the University of Virginia Invitational.





# ON THE RUN

## ..... Women's Cross Country .....

It is not surprising that the JMU women's cross country team was excited to begin its fall season this year. The lady Dukes were coming off of their first CAA title and school-best fifth-place NCAA finish last year. Having lost only one runner to graduation and picking up several talented freshmen, head coach Gwen Harris hoped the team would challenge to retain the CAA championship and qualify for the NCAA meet.

This year's team was made up of a good balance of talented women versatile athletes. Samantha Bates and Bethany Eigel led the team throughout the season, consistently finishing in the top ten at most of the meets and earning All-CAA honors. The team also received solid performances from Tracey Livengood, who improved during the season as she recovered from a back injury, Jenae Strader, and freshmen standouts Heather Hanscom

and Christine Torreele. "Everyone came together very well," Bates said. "Everyone was very supportive of each other."



c/o Coach Glen Harris

The women ran 5,000-meter races in several tournaments this fall. "We didn't have as many solid meets in the beginning and middle of the season," said Harris. She added that they aimed to peak during a crucial point at the end of the season, heading for the CAA championship and district meets.

The team finished second to William & Mary at the CAA championships. Bates did not run at the championships because she was injured, but coach Harris was pleased with the team's overall effort. "The girls stepped it up at that meet," she said. The team finished fifth at the ECACC, narrowly missing a bid for the NCAA championships, but everyone ran a good race. "We finished up strong," Eigel said. "Next year we should be right up there."

● Erin Binney ●



First Row: Tara Carroll, Christine Torreele, Kendall Childress, Tara Powers, Karrie Shelton, Kari Bonomo, Bethany Eigel, Carletta Gaines. Second Row: Diana Gillam, captain Tamarra Stewart, Jessi Danci, Allison Kubosh, Angela Ankoma-Sey, Samantha Bates, Heather Hanscom. Third Row: Shontya Bready, Lessley Mader, Jenae Strader, captain Tracey Livengood, Jodie Speth, Danielle Bonner, Shaunah Saint Cyr. Fourth Row: Seun Augustus, Kim Cheney, Megan Pilla, Kelly Rector, Sara Carpenter, Jessica Tremblay, Stacey Donohue.

# KEEPING ON

.....Men's Cross Country.....

After a successful finish in last year's IC4A meet, the men's cross country team entered the season nationally ranked. The Dukes hoped that by capitalizing on returning runners and a large freshman class they could finish the season with a bid to the NCAA meet.

The Dukes started the season on the right track with a second-place finish at the Auburn Invitational. Russ Coleman led the Dukes, finishing sixth on the 8000-meter course. The Dukes finished ahead of several nationally ranked teams, boosting them into the Top 25 in the NCAA polls.

The Dukes ran strong at several important meets. These finishes helped the team to realize its full potential. With a successful second-place finish at the CAA championships, Ryan Foster, Pat Anderson, Jason Alexander and Russ Coleman were named to the All-CAA team. Then

the Dukes focused on the IC4A meet.

Injuries and illnesses kept the Dukes from running to their full potential. "At times during the season, we ran to our full potential," said coach Pat Henner. "Despite being one of the best JMU cross country teams ever, we still had a disappointing finish. Our finish at the IC4A meet was not reflective of how we could have done."

Junior front-runner Ryan Foster led the Dukes at the IC4A meet with a sixth-place finish. Although the team did not qualify for nationals, Foster individually qualified for the NCAA meet.

Despite a disheartening finish to this year's season, the team looks forward with optimism to next year's season. Foster said, "We have a lot of youth and talent." Losing only two of the top runners, "we should be a real force to reckon with next year."



● Fenton Carey ●

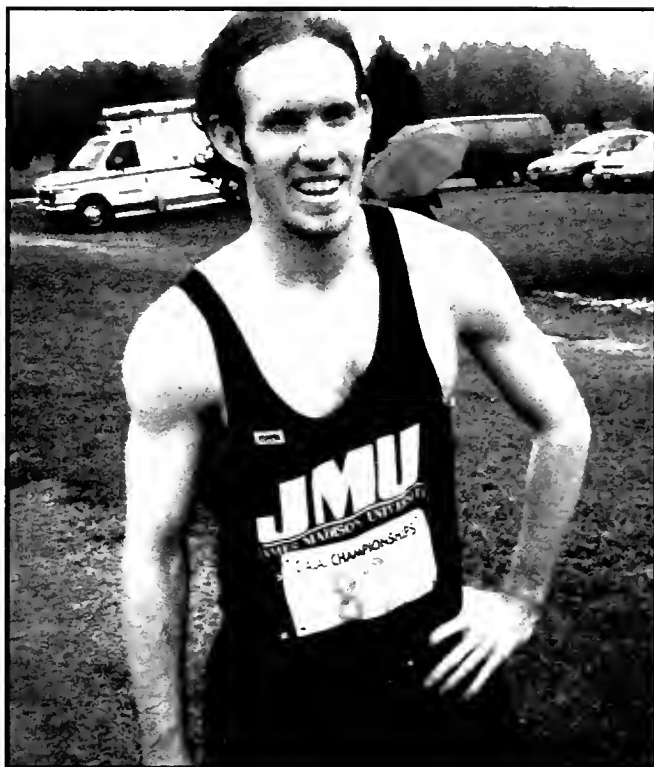


First Row: David Loughran, Ryan Foster, Marshall Smith, C.J. Keller, Tom Burnham, Scott Shepherd, Sean Harrington, Jeffrey St. Pierre, Ron Byers, Fenton Carey. Second Row: David Spiller, Steven Cole, Bucky Lassiter, Bill Lynch, Chris Allport, Ryan Mammen, Colby Geiman, Russ Coleman, Benjy Wilhelm, Scott Davis. Third Row: Andrew Cox, Coach Bill Walton, Alan Speicher, Ben Cooke, Jay Holladay, Ian Thomson, Jason Alexander, Coach Pat Henner, Will Short, Jesse Tolleson, Andrew Riley, Coach Jason Smith.



Waiting the buzzer, co-captain of the men's cross country team, Ryan Foster, takes his place among the runners who qualified to participate in the National Colonial Athletic Association championship.

Cooling down after a competitive race at the 1996 CAA meet, senior Bill Lynch catches his breath. Coach Bill Walden has guided JMU's track and cross country to become one of the most respected programs in the East.



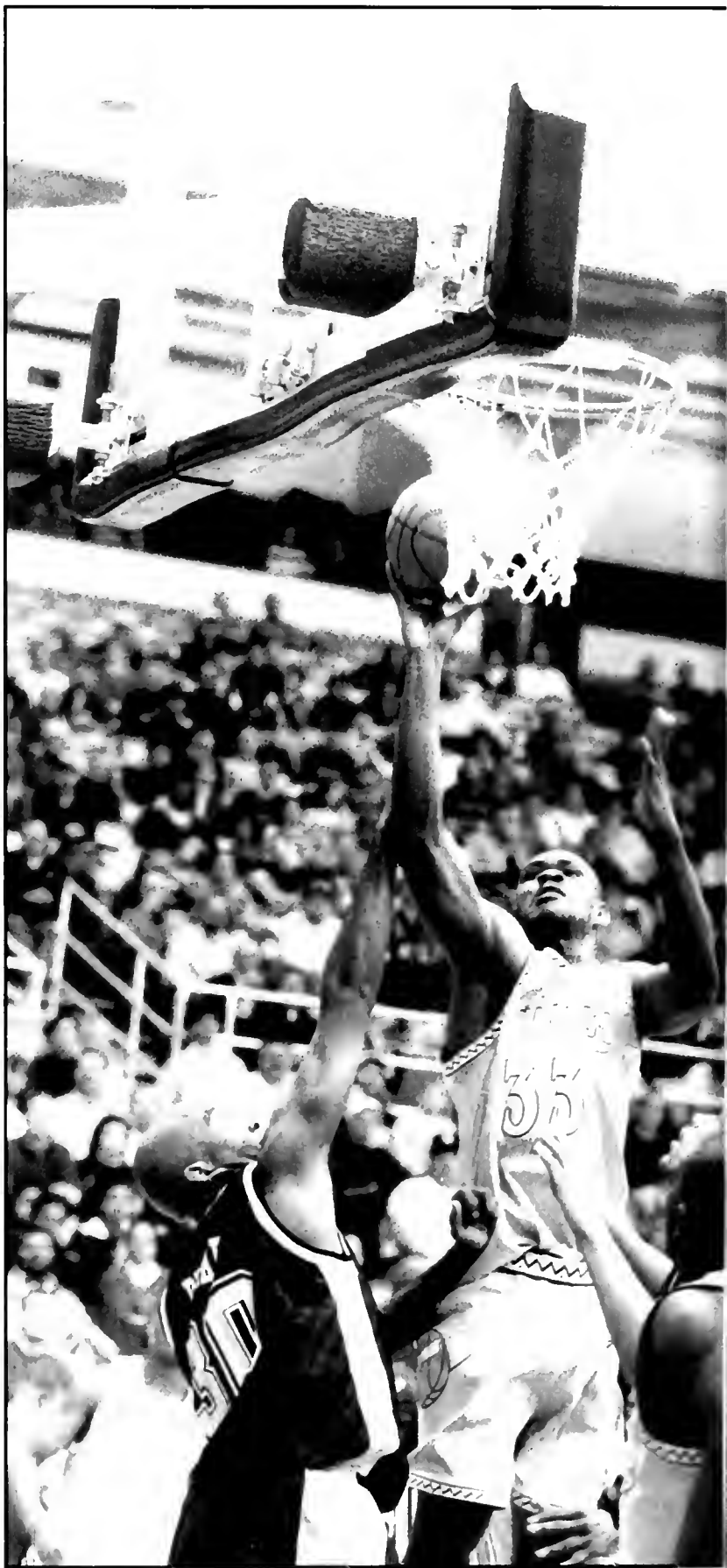
Warming up, the JMU men's cross country team had to run through rain and muddy water at the 1996 CAA meet. The Dukes celebrated their silver anniversary during the 1996-97 season.

And they're off! Using his strength, junior co-captain Ryan Foster strived to set the pace in the 1996 men's cross country NCAA meet. Foster was the only JMU cross country runner to race at the national level.

Applauding his team's hustle up and down the court, coach "Lefty" Driesell shows enthusiasm and support for his players. Driesell completed his ninth year as coach of the Dukes. Entering the season, he boasted an overall record of 667 career wins.



Guarding his opponent, freshman guard Jamar Perry tries to prevent his UNC-Wilmington opponent from scoring. With the arsenal of new players on the roster, many considered this year one of the best recruiting classes for the Dukes.



# FIRING UP

..... Men's Basketball .....

After the 1995-96 season last year under the tutelage of head coach "Lefty" Driesell, who took over the team in 1988, this year's team had to get things back together. An excellent staff returned including associate head coach Chuck Driesell, assistant coach Phil Cunningham, team trainer Ron Stefancin, conditioning coach Greg Werner and 24-year equipment manager Dave Reedy. The Dukes also gained coach Eric Pauley. With a solid staff, the foundation was set for a great season. Of course, the efforts of such a distinguished group called for a solid roster of players.

A notable loss was that of Darren McLinton, who averaged 22.7 points per game last year, the second best season average ever by a Duke. The administration had to go out and do some good recruiting.

The Dukes gained a quality guard in Jamar Perry; power forwards Kevan Johnson, Marvin Zaanadam and Chatney Howard, a junior transfer from junior college; and some much-needed size down low in Mate Milisa and Rob Strickland, the latter being one of the most sought after recruits in the nation. Added to a group of returning starters and lettermen which included Charles Lott, CAA All-Rookie selection Eugene Atkinson and gutsy sixth man Ryan Culicerto and this team was ready to go.

After a few exhibitions, the season was under way and JMU got off to a rocky start with a loss to Bowling Green, leaving fans to fear that yet another not-so-hot season was ahead. As the Dukes got some key wins, however, against Shippensburg University and Mississippi State University, the fans were beginning to realize that JMU actually had a



R. Williams



Cantwell

Jumping above his opponent, Charles Lott scores a quick lay-up. Lott was ranked ninth among CAA players in scoring per game during the 1995-96 season. JMU returned four starters from its 1995-96 season, providing the team with experience.

Making his move, point guard Ned Felton goes for the basket as he charges past his UNC-Wilmington opponent. Fan support greatly increased this year, helping to push the Dukes to the top of the CAA standings.



# FIRING UP

..... Men's Basketball .....

basketball team, while names such as Chatney Howard, arguably the best starter on this team, and Ryan Culicerto, who played with such intensity that a group of fans in one corner of the stands referred to themselves as "Coolio's Corner," became household names, at least in the 'Burg.

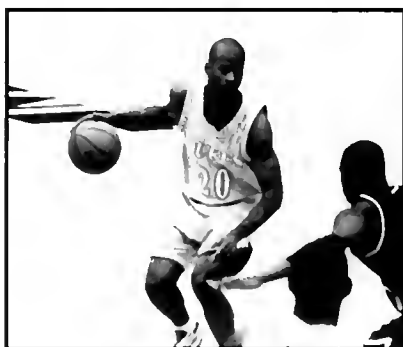
Then began the ups and downs. Throughout the season, JMU managed to come up with some big wins, but often managed to let the inferior teams slip by them. After a huge conference win against CAA rival team ODU on Jan. 25 in front of a crowd in excess of 6,500 people at home, many began to forget about losses to inferior CAA match-ups.

Down the stretch, Coach Driesell was proud of his players for all they accomplished. As senior guard Ryan Culicerto said, "Coach is pretty happy, I think, with what we've accomplished so far. I mean, he was definitely upset

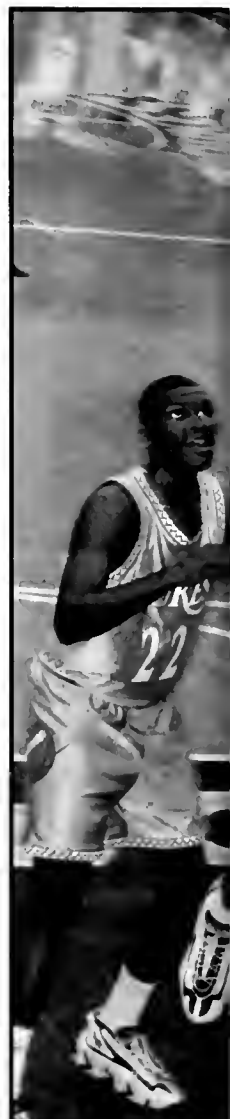
about those games we let slip away that we shouldn't have but seeing how a lot of people picked us to finish as low as fifth or sixth [in the CAA] and all year we have been contending for the league, I think he is real happy with what we've done." Despite the pride both

the coach and players may have had with their regular season success, Culicerto went on to explain, "Anything less than winning the CAA tournament and receiving an automatic bid into the NCAA tournament would definitely be a disappointment."

However, the CAA Tournament proved to be a tough haul for the team. Fighting their way up the CAA draw, the Dukes earned a spot in the championship game against ODU. Staying close throughout both halves the Dukes ultimately fell to the CAA leaders in the last minute of over-time, 58-62. This loss also marked the end of Dreisell's coaching career at JMU, whose contract was not renewed.



● Chad O'Kane ●

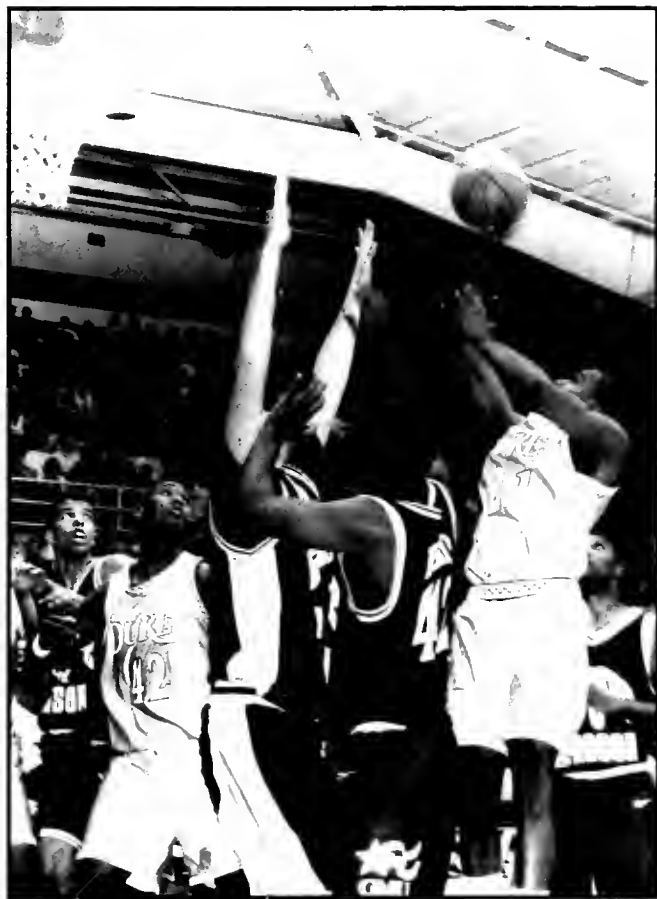


First Row: David McCune, James Pelham, Chatney Howard, Eugene Atkinson, co-captain Charles Lott, head coach "Lefty" Driesell, co-captain Ryan Culicerto, Ned Felton, Riley Trone, Jamar Perry, Will Ellis, David Gould. Second Row: Phil Cunningham, Eric Pauley, Eddie McNamara, Marvin Zaandam, Mate Milisa, Rob Strickland, Lamont Boozer, Kevan Johnson, Fred Boyd, Vladimir Cuk, Chuck Driesell, Pete Johnson.





Cartwell



R. Williams



R. Williams



R. Williams

Using his quick footwork to maneuver past his opponents, point guard Ned Felton finds an open shot. Rigorous training and lifting schedules kept the players in good shape during the season.

Scrambling to gain possession of the ball, Mate Milisa and Ned Felton work for the possession. Team chemistry was very high on the team, adding to the overall strength and enthusiasm on the court.

Grabbing a rebound away from his opponent, senior forward Charles Lott makes a quick save for the Dukes in a game against Virginia Commonwealth University. JMU began developing team chemistry early, hoping to peak by tournament time.

Aiming for the basket, junior forward Chatney Howard shoots above his opponent. Howard was referred to by coaches as being an explosive athletic performer who was able to make shots from the outside as well as take the ball to the basket.

## For the Record

JMU	OPP.
92	Bowling Green
86	Shippensburg
75	Mississippi State
68	Washington
68	Montana State
59	Hampton
67	Southern Illinois
83	Texas State
71	UM-BC
61	William & Mary
73	VCU
81	American
85	George Mason
54	UNC-Wilmington
59	East Carolina
84	ODU
65	Richmond
72	American
55	UNC Charlotte
60	VCU
67	George Mason
53	UNC-Wilmington
63	East Carolina
74	William & Mary
71	Richmond
66	ODU
58	CAA Championship: ODU
	104
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	62

...to play, two Greek football teams get ready for action at Hillside Field. Many Greek life often formed intramural teams and competed against each other for fun.

## Intramural Sports

Bowling  
Flag Football  
Tennis  
Table Tennis  
Floor Hockey  
Team Golf  
Volleyball  
Raquetball  
Ultimate Frisbee  
Badminton  
Basketball  
J-K Run  
Weight Lifting  
Soccer  
Wallyball  
Softball  
Whiffle Ball  
Track  
Swimming



Playing in the new University Recreation Center, the co-ed intramural volleyball team participates in a game of friendly competition. Students were able to play the game of their choice in a relaxed atmosphere, without having to practice on a daily basis.

# FROM A TO Z

Intramural sports were intended primarily to afford an opportunity for experiential learning through athletic participation for the entire James

Madison University community.

While serving to cultivate lifetime recreational skills, intramurals strive to integrate students socially in a sports setting and to foster a spirit of sportsmanship and fair play among participants and spectators. Intramurals offered a variety of opportunities for individuals of all abilities.

Many groups of students got together and started their own intramural teams. With such a wide variety of sports offered, anyone had the chance to get involved and do something they love. In addition, if there was a sport that was not offered, they had the chance to start it.

Junior Scott Sayman said, "I played football in the

fall and had so much fun. I enjoyed playing against other students in a friendly environment while still having the thrill of victory."

Finding their inner athletic spirit in a variety of sports, students turned to the fun and "competitive friendly" intramural program.

Some students enjoyed the challenge that intramurals offered so much that they took part in more than one sport or played from year to year. Sophomore Eli Zalc said, "I played indoor soccer last year for my residence hall. I really enjoyed myself and I decided to play again this year." Scott Sayman also played three-on-three basketball in addition to football.

Often residence halls, sororities, fraternities or groups of friends got together to form teams. Whatever the reason for forming a team, most agreed that participating in intramurals was one of the best times they ever had, and most wanted to do it again.

● Bradley Petty and Becky Lillard ●



Jumping for the ball, two members of intramural basketball teams battle it out for the basket. Referees and medical staff, who work for the program, were present at all intramural games to offer aid and to assist with rules and regulations.

Running for the fun of it, students take part in the Dukes 5K run during Homecoming weekend and the grand opening of UREC. The intramural program often coordinated sports that provided students with enjoyment as well as competition.

# HOOP IT UP

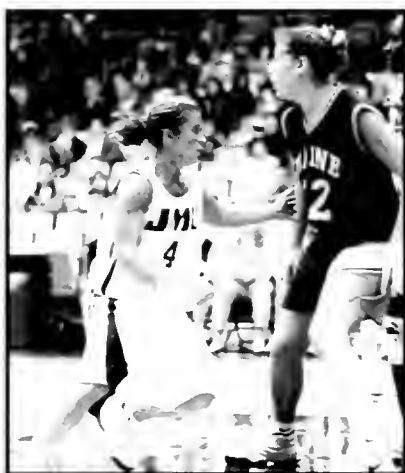
## ..... Women's Basketball .....

The 1996-97 Dukes opened the season with a seventh NCAA tournament bid in sight. The team has become one of the most consistently successful programs in the Colonial Athletic Association.

Under the leadership of seniors Holly Rilinger and Sarah Schreib, the Dukes looked to challenge once again for the CAA title. Coach Shelia Moorman was poised to guide the team to its seventh consecutive 20-win season.

The Dukes opened the season with a challenging non-conference schedule. Radford, Maine and Kent were their first three opponents, all of which went to the NCAA tournament last season. The tough opening schedule prepared the Dukes for conference play. A strong nonconference schedule helps in consideration for an at-large tournament bid.

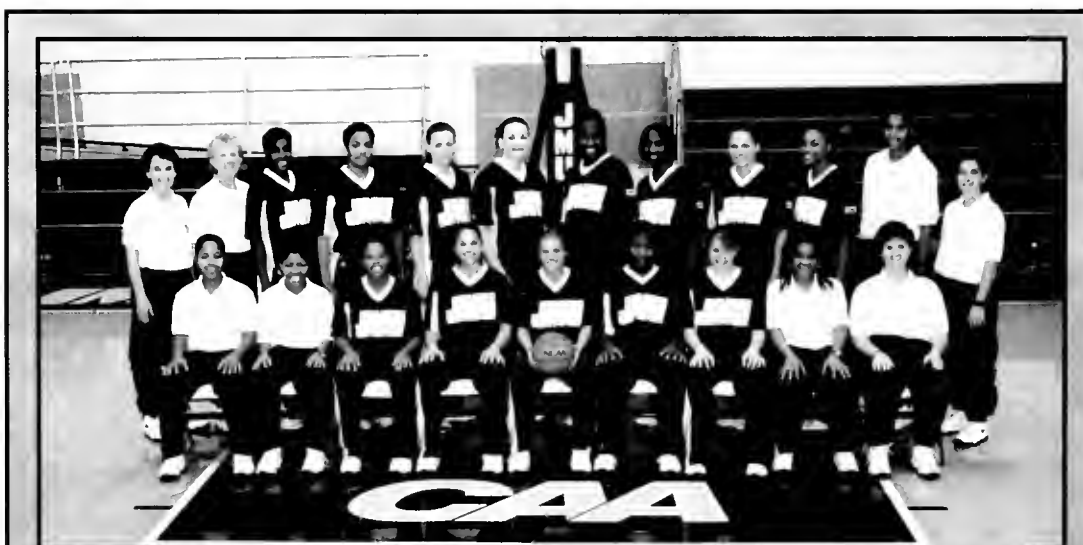
While the Dukes relied heavily on the experience of veterans Rilinger and Schreib, the team also looked to newcomers Misty Colebank, Rose Fox, Laura Gehrke and Sonya Nichols for solid contributions. Colebank jumped out of the gate quickly, leading the team in scoring with 18 against Radford.



Sophomores Kish Jordan and Hope Cook stepped up to fill the wing positions admirably. Jordan, Cook, sophomore Manika Herring and junior Nyesha Basey all shared time at the wing and contributed greatly to the team. All of the wing players were very athletic and adept at running the floor and finishing

on the fast break.

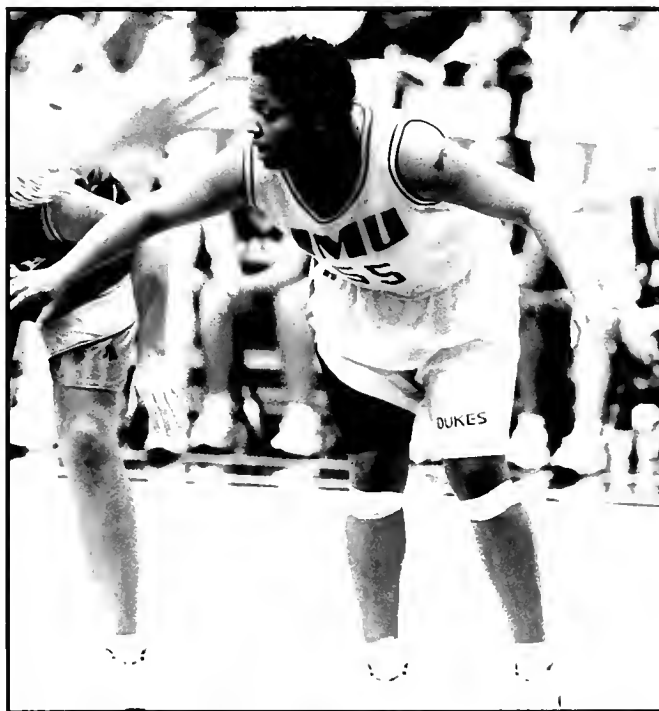
The inside game was focused on two-time all-conference forward Schreib. Once again, Schreib was a consistent scorer and powerful rebounder for the



First Row: Mashona Council, Monica Callahan, Nyesha Basey, Misty Colebank, Holly Rilinger, Kish Jordan, Rose Fox, Terrica Taylor, Sherry Summers. Second Row: Andrea Morrison, Shelia Moorman, Manika Herring, Emeka Williams, Jamie Jones, Laura Gehrke, Akosua Demann, Sonya Nichols, Sarah Schreib, Hope Cook, Robyne Bostick, Melissa Wiggins.



Molowski



Molowski



Molowski



Molowski

Concentrating on the basket, senior guard Holly Rilinger tries to put the Dukes ahead with her next free throw. Rilinger led the team in scoring, assists and steals and was among the CAA leaders in seven statistical categories.

Looking for the rebound, sophomore center Emeka Williams waits before entering the lane. The basketball program celebrated their 75-year anniversary this season, a far cry from when games were played in the former Reed's gymnasium in 1921.

Waiting for a break in the game, senior forward Sarah Schreib looks to come back into the game. Schreib was named to the All-CAA first team and was the team rebounding leader last season for the Dukes.

Discussing the next play, the team forms a huddle during a break in the game. With the addition of four freshmen under the leadership of two senior veterans, the Dukes were a force to contend with in the conference.



Skying above two GMU opponents, Hope Cook shoots for two points. Being one of the top scorers for the team this year, Cook was instrumental in the success of the team. Cook averaged 10.3 points in the CAA tournament last season.

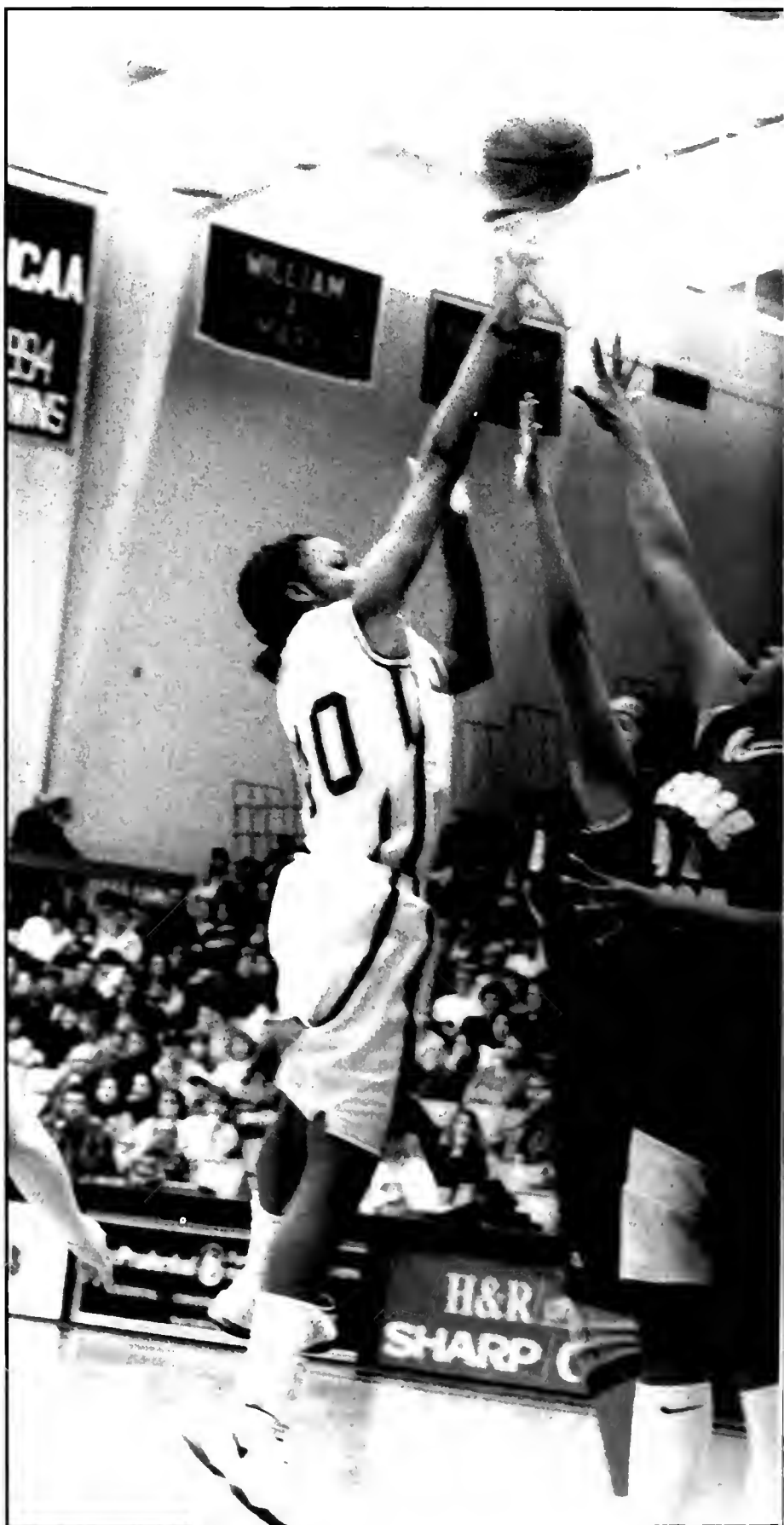


## For the Record

JMU		OPP.
63	Radford	44
62	Maine	63
55	Kent State	48
64	Minnesota	56
56	Virginia Tech	54
45	Maryland-Eastern Shore	28
44	American	59
51	Wake Forest	63
71	Western Illinois	46
74	Lamar	47
80	University of the Pacific	45
70	UNC Wilmington	65
62	George Mason	60
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Attempting to score another basket, senior Sarah Schreib pump takes an opponent. Schreib led the team in scoring and showed her rebounding skills against Kent State, pulling down 16 boards.





# HOOP IT UP

## ..... Women's Basketball .....

Dukes. Sophomores Emeka Williams and Akosua Demann, along with freshman Gehrke provided the Dukes with alternative scoring threats inside. The trio also gave the Dukes strong, determined rebounding during the season.

Running the show for the Dukes was all-conference point guard Holly Rilinger. Rilinger became the Dukes' all-time leader in scoring and steals during the course of the season. She got help at the point from Colebank and Cook.

The Dukes started the season with a bang, winning seven consecutive games. The team also defeated American University in its first conference game of the season.

A tough loss to ACC opponent Wake Forest was followed by five more straight wins. CAA foes UNC-Wilmington and George Mason were two of

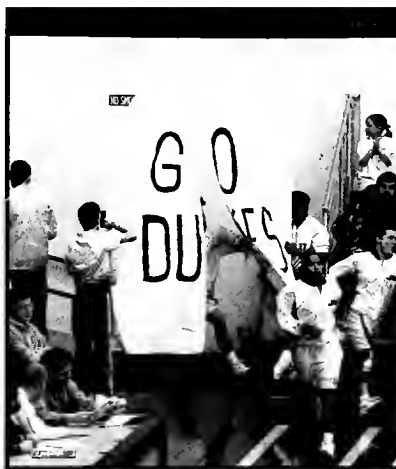
the victims in that streak.

On Jan. 17 a crowd of 6,500 attended the game against Old Dominion at the Convocation Center. The largest crowd ever to watch a women's basketball game at JMU saw the Dukes fall to the second-ranked team in the nation. Old Dominion had previously beaten national powers Stanford and Tennessee.

The defeat began a tough string of conference games for the Dukes. The Dukes then beat William & Mary twice in two weeks and George Mason by two points to get back on the right track.

Consistency helped the Dukes to become a nationally recognized program. Coupled with the increasing strength and visibility of the CAA, that consistency led to nothing but better things for the team.

● Scott Cale ●



Cantwell



Cantwell

Holly Rilinger quickly passes the ball to a teammate. As a senior guard, Rilinger performed well in her last year with the Dukes, looking to make it to the All-CAA team for the third straight year.

Cantwell

# RING LEADERS

While new recruits or freshmen are often referred to as the "new blood" of a collegiate sports team, new coaches can have just as much of an impact on the team's performance as any player.

Jeff Forbes, who took over the coaching position of the women's golf team this year, said "I really enjoy being out there with the team. I see them work hard and do their best and it makes me proud."

Of course, as the players gained experience, the coaches gained experience in guiding them. Tom Martin, the men's soccer team coach, felt that the team's trip to the CAA tournament had a positive effect on the team. "Having a great group of young men to work with makes my job even better. I enjoy seeing them succeed individually and as a team."

Of course, not all coaches who stirred the team were new to coaching at JMU. Men's basketball coach Lefty Driesell remained at the helm this year, hoping to capture his 700th win and earn a spot in the record books.

However, Lefty was stopped short of reaching his 700th win mark at JMU. Following the Dukes' loss in the CAA championship game to ODU, JMU decided not to renew Lefty's coaching contract. A week following the announcement, Sherman Dillard, the former Indiana State University head coach, was named the Dukes' leader.

"It's so great to be back home," said Sherman to a crowd gathered at the Convocation Center.

Other coaching changes also occurred during the last few weeks of school. Women's basketball coach, Shelia Moorman tendered her resignation after 15 years at the helm. Alleged problems between players and coach Moorman apparently led to the

sudden announcement in March.

Through all the fanfare and excitement surrounding athletics at JMU, it was the role of the coach to be the backbone and inspirational leader of the team. Although not always in the spotlight, it were these people who kept the spirit alive within the team.

Leading players  
through hoops of fire  
and glory, coaches offer  
stability, training, direc-  
tion and opportunities  
for success.

● Simone Figula & Sonal Dutt ●



Contwell

Linebackers and special teams coach Tom Everson relays a play for the next possession to receiver Macey Brooks. The special teams has been very successful during his two years as coach, including blocking nine kicks last season.



*Cantwell*

Men's basketball head coach Lefty Driesell talks over strategy with his players. Falling short of reaching his 700th win, Lefty's contract was not renewed by the university. Sherman Dillard was named the new coach.

"I enjoy being involved in teaching and seeing lightbulbs go off as players apply what they have learned to competition."

-Paul Campbell  
Fencing



*Cantwell*

Talking to the players about the first half of the game, men's soccer coach Dr. Tom Martin gives them advice. In his 11th year, Martin has had four NCAA tournament appearances, three conference tournament titles and four conference players of the year.

Simultaneously giving help to the players, defensive line coach Rick Clark and head coach Alex Wood help lead the football team to victory. With a group of talented coaches, the team was prepared to conquer any challenge that they were faced with during the season.



*Cantwell*

Taking long underwater strokes after jumping off the starting block, this swimmer competes in the 800 freestyle relay. The 1996-97 JMU men's swim team was in pursuit of its sixth consecutive CAA title.



Picking up speed, this swimmer uses skill and his breast stroke technique to finish the race in record time. Seven swimmers returned this season in hopes of continuing the Dukes' dominance of the CAA championships.

Diving in, this swimmer practices diving off the starting block. Coach Teal's philosophy of hard work and dedication combined with fun made for an enthusiastic team of swimmers with an arsenal of skills and strong points.



# DIVING IN

## Men's Swimming

The men's swim team gunned for its sixth straight crown during the 1996-97 season. In pursuit of its sixth consecutive Colonial Athletic Association title, the JMU men's swimming and diving team fought to continue its dominance over CAA opponents this season. The Dukes returned seven of last year's top performers including seniors Ryan Frost, Bob Bianchi and Aaron Wellman.

Last season the Dukes placed third in the Eastern collegiate Athletic Conference and broke JMU's 1994 record for points in the CAA championship with 766.

Fourth-year head coach Brooks Teal was confident of this team's chances to capture yet another conference title. "This is perhaps the strongest team

we've had since I've been here." Frost, a three-time CAA champion in the 100 breaststroke, also holds CAA and JMU records in the event. In each of the past three years Frost has made NCAA consideration time and increased his chance of qualifying this season. "He got faster and closer this year," Teal said. "This season he really had his sights set on qualifying for the NAAs."

Throughout the season the Dukes continued the legacy as they stayed at the top beating their rival George Mason University and winning an important meet against the University of Richmond. Frost, who is also the team's captain, helped to maintain the team's stick together attitude. This camaraderie has been the guiding force behind the team over the years.



Vilack

• Wendy Crocker •



First Row: Kelly Duren, Marc Endrigat, Paul Oehling, J.C. Paris, Brennan Sweeney, Kevin Sinsabaugh, Christopher Barney, Matt Miller, Will Von Ohlen, Marc Rios, Cory Billett, Theresa Coker. Second Row: Lui Mulder, Jason Wiedersum, Dan Jordan, Brian Jack, Stephen Humphrey, Keith Wagner, Kevin Morley, Bob Bianchi, Justin Pudloski, Randy Dash, Aaron Wellman. Third Row: Brian Manning, David Rowland, Eric Marton, Adam Prem, Kyle Kunstel, Mike Mahlstedt, Steve Fleming, Ryan Frost, Cliff Parker.

Vilack



# DIVING IN

## ..... Women's Swimming .....

Friendship, hard work and spirit made up the foundation of the 1996-97 women's swimming and diving team. Striving for individual goals and record times became the incentive for success.

Coach Leigh Ann Fetter-Witt said of the team, "This is the closest team I've ever worked with. They've really come together as friends and they get along very well." Junior Jenn Murach said, "The team's strength comes from our unity, closeness and ability to work together."

The team placed third at its first meet but won its second meet, defeating Old Dominion and the University of Maryland-Baltimore County. Sophomore Shawnee Smith said, "Winning the tri-meet was a great motivator. We weren't sure we could beat UMBC, but we did and that was important for team morale."

The Dukes placed ninth out of 11 teams at

the Nike Cup held in Chapel Hill, N.C., suffering losses to West Chester and West Virginia.

"As a team we try to focus on individual best times and good swims. We get up and race as hard and as tough as we can," said senior co-captain Wendy Bryant. With this in mind, the Dukes defeated American University, 141-95.

After a loss to William & Mary, the team re-evaluated its goals. Bryant said, "This meet was a turning point. We set team goals after the meet."

"This has been a rebuilding year for the team. We've been looking for everyone to get up and swim the best they can, to race well and achieve their best times," said Fetter-Witt. "Most of the ladies are returning this season. The quality is back; we need the numbers at this point. They swam very fast for going into several dual meets with no rest."

● Meredith Mansfield ●



R. Williams



First Row: Catherine Girouard, Anitra Kass, Missy Schofield, Amanda Kuehl, Soledad Darquea, Jennifer Scheirman, Virginia Landgraf, Lisa Herbster, Jeni Johnson, Aimee Hobbie. Second Row: Jenn Murach, Melissa Marks, Bethany Snee, Shawnee Smith, Beth Elie, Sarah Dokken, Chrissie Hassett, Karah Nazor, Jennifer Noonan, Wendy Bryant.





R. Williams

Reaching for perfection, freshman Anitra Kass dives against George Washington University. With a team of veterans and newcomers, the Dukes were prepared to take on any competition.

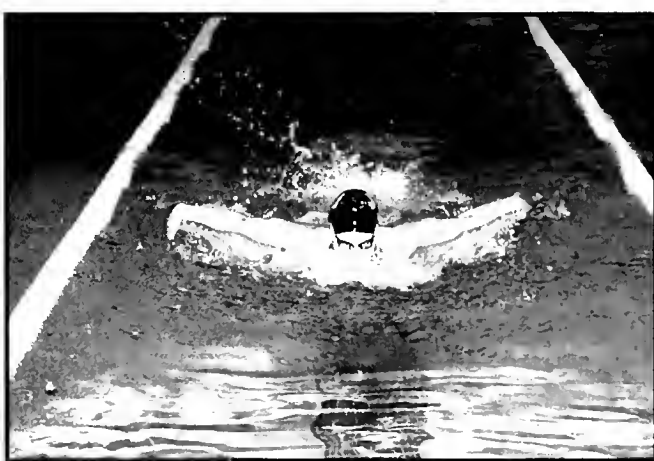
Waiting for her turn on the starting block, sophomore Melissa Marks drowns out the jitters by listening to music. Marks placed 16th in the 500m and 1650m freestyle at last year's CAA tournament.



Cantrill



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Cantrill

Taking a breath between strokes, sophomore Missy Schofield goes for a personal best time in freestyle. Schofield placed 10th in the 1650m at last year's CAA swim meet. The Dukes hold five women's CAA meet records.

Gaining the lead, this swimmer tries to finish the race before her opponent. The team had high hopes of regaining the CAA title they were unable to capture at the championships last season.

Dribbling the ball down the field, senior midfielder Sipi Savolainen looks for an open teammate. Savolainen, a native of Anjalankoski, Finland, adjusted well to the higher level of play, ranking second in assists in 1995.

"Soccer at JMU is not as physical as it is in Finland, but it has a higher level " of skill.

-Jari Takatalo



Playing during one of the soccer games, senior forward Jari Takatalo looks for the open score. Takatalo came to America from Helsinki, Finland where he played for the Finnish under-16 national team.



# A NEW VIEW

James Madison University has a reputation for being an excellent environment for higher education and athletics. It is often referred to as a public school with Ivy League quality. Over the years, JMU has reached a higher level of athletic training, ability and professionalism. This glowing reputation has helped to spread knowledge of JMU's athletic program not only nationally, but also internationally.

Why do these international players come such a long way to attend JMU? One reason is to pursue a college education, which often does not play a prominent role in their countries. Mate Milisa, from Croatia, said, "I like playing basketball at JMU because school work comes first and improving my basketball skills comes second." If an incident such as an injury that would not allow him to play basketball

occurred, he wanted an education to fall back on.

Compared to other countries, the way sports are played at JMU does not really differ according to most international athletes. There are only a few differences. According to Tasha Ellis from Ontario, "There are not

big differences. However, soccer is more popular here than in Canada. I believe it has become a lot bigger in other countries, though."

Sipi Savolainen from Finland said, "Soccer is not that different in my country, and is basically played the same way." However, Savolainen was surprised at the quality of the skill level the players at JMU possessed. One difference noticed by

Milisa was the competition among basketball players. "Here you have to fight for a place on the team, whereas in European basketball it is easy to be recognized if you are a good player."

Bringing another view of athleticism to JMU, international players offer a different appreciation for how the game is played.

● Wendy Crocker ●



Freshman Mate Milisa, a basketball player from Zagreb, Croatia, gained first-hand experience playing college basketball in the US this season. Coach Driesell has said he an "excellent outside shooter and fundamentally sound."

The only international athlete on the women's soccer team, junior Tasha Ellis came to America from Scarborough, Ontario. Her provincial team in Canada won the national tournament in 1993, and she was third in scoring for the Dukes last year.

Darius

# TAKE DOWN

## ..... Wrestling .....

"Everyone must suffer pain, either the pain of discipline or the pain of defeat," said Adam Holloway. Heart, dedication, perseverance and mental toughness are attributes that every single wrestler must have. There is really no other sport that requires the mental discipline of a strict diet for weight management coupled with the demands of a rigid practice schedule.

To the novice eye, the sport of wrestling looks like two people rolling around a mat with no structure to it. Instead, wrestling is like a game of human chess - a game of attack and counterattack in which you must respond fast and think two or three moves ahead of your opponent in order to score the points.

Unlike sports such as football and basketball

that depend on a complete team effort to achieve success, wrestling, while a team sport, depends on ten individual efforts. A competitor must rely on himself

to come out on top of his opponent; he will not have the help of his teammates to fall back on. There are no time-outs and no substitutions. A contest of wills in which, two men enter the wrestling mat and one man, the one who is best prepared, leaves victorious.

The season was punctuated by the discipline of dedicated individuals who were willing to sacrifice the time to work out three times a day for the greater good of the whole. Their effort will not go unrewarded as the

end of the season culminates, look for the Dukes to challenge in the quest for the CAA championships and for four potential all-Americans.

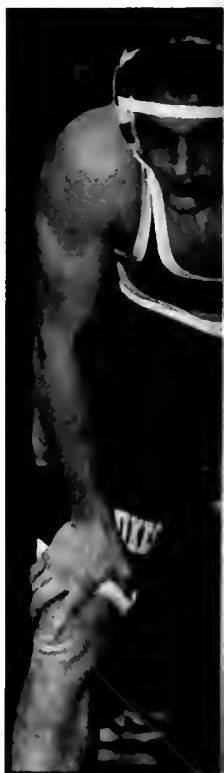


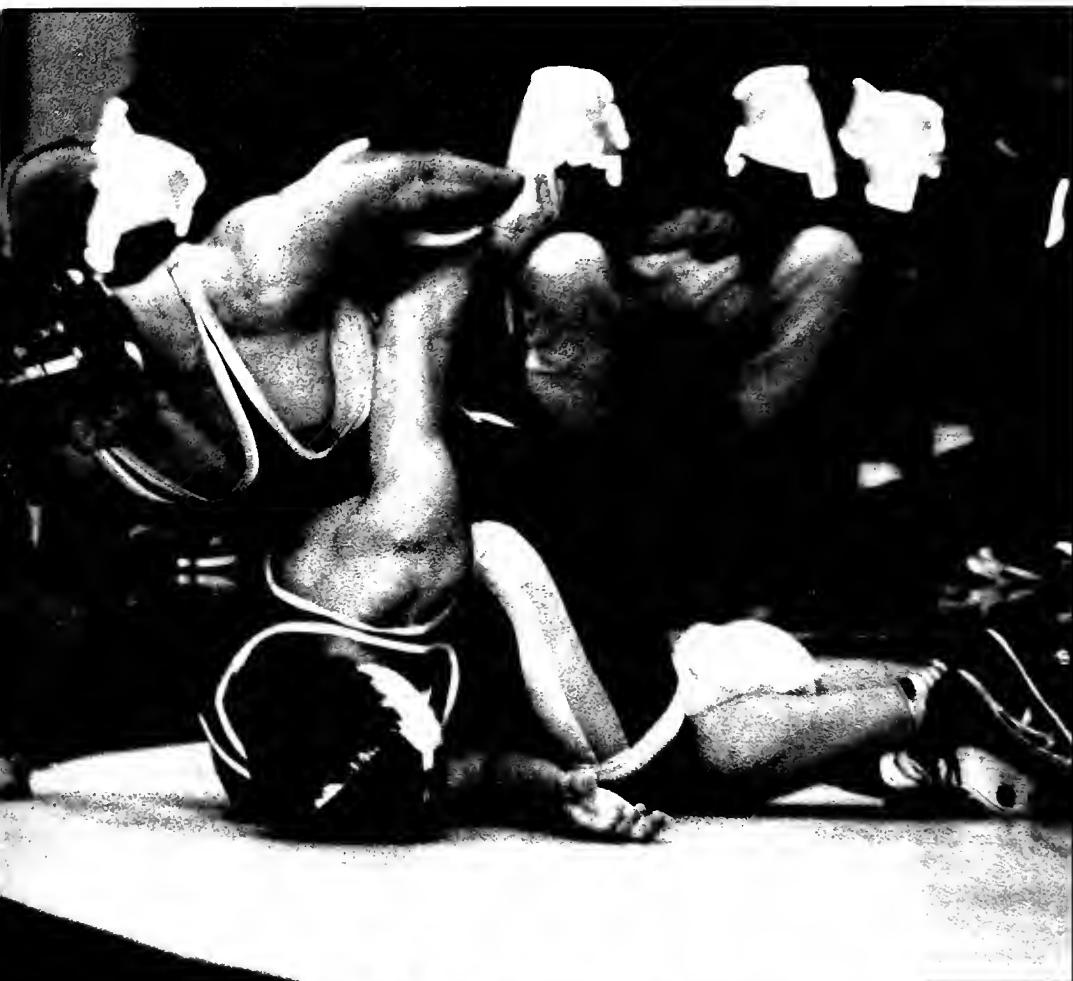
R. Williams

● Ramel Pugh and Dave Tevlin ●



First Row: Brian Maddox, Josh Androsavage, Arman Taghizadeh, Loren Pruskowski, Doug Detrick, Mike Robostello, Ken Rossi, Dave Vollmer, Maakan Taghizadeh, P.J. Wright, John Borrelli. Second Row: Kristen, Jim Dutrow, Chad Kuhn, Chip Cochran, Dustin Young, Dave Tevlin, Dennis Coxen, Chris Carpino, Pat Coyle, Tim Flynn, Mike Thompson, Doug Batey, head coach Jeff Bowyer. Third Row: Assistant coach Pat Flynn, Mitch Uehling, Rocky Pagnotta, Elliot Williams, Adam Savarese, Jason Freund, Ramel Pugh, Adam Holloway, Bill Candee, Brian Collier, Chris Vidak, Ron Martin, Charles Gay.





Pinning his opponent to the mat, this wrestler takes advantage of the opportunity. The team was comprised of 14 freshmen and seven returning seniors who added a lot of depth to the Dukes' lineup.

*R Williams*



*R Williams*



*R Williams*

Getting last-minute advice from the coach, this wrestler prepares himself mentally for his opponent. Although each wrestler competed individually, the team spirit and morale was evident at every meet.

Taking hold of his opponent before he gets away, this wrestler fights to keep the advantage. The Dukes were on a hunt for the CAA title as the talented squad characterized itself with experience and dedication.



But as she carefully the set of Keri Erasmus presided over her routine. Erasmus led the team, sharing the highest marks on the balance beam with teammate Kathy Aiken.

Striking her dismount, Kathy Aiken finishes her routine. Aiken, an academic All-American and NCAA Southeast Region Qualifier last season, was acknowledged for her role as a leader in the state championship.



Twisting off the beam, this gymnast performs a difficult dismount. The Dukes faced nationally ranked teams throughout their tough conference and non-conference schedule.

Ending her routine in an original pose, this gymnast adds the final touch. Coach Burke had confidence in the squad, believing the team would participate in and claim a state championship.





# FLYIN' HIGH

## ..... Women's Gymnastics .....

Gymnastics is a sport that requires strength, dedication and grace for a successful season. This year, the ladies of the JMU women's gymnastics team embodied those qualities as they sought to earn more state and school records and recapture the state title.

Senior tri-captains Keri Erasmus, Becki Kabat and Kathy Aiken led the Dukes to a successful season. Although they lost their first two meets, the ladies improved individually and as a team with each match. "We were looking to improve with each meet," Aiken said. "We were just going to try and peak around states."

This year's state competition, during which the Dukes tried to recapture the title from William &

Mary, was held here at JMU. The Dukes met William & Mary and Radford during the regular season and at states. "Our biggest competition is William & Mary and Radford because it is an in-state rivalry," Erasmus said at the beginning of the season.

At 22 members, the Dukes had one of the largest rosters in recent years. With only head coach Burke and assistant coach Armstrong to guide them and a shortage of space to accommodate everyone, the Dukes found their large team to be somewhat detrimental. But the large team was beneficial when choosing competitors for each meet. The

younger members of the team did their part to ensure successful showings and are looking forward to another successful season.



*Daniels*

● Julia Filz ●



First Row: Reinee Kissinger, Elizabeth Hernandez, Stephanie Nelson, Rebecca Kabat, Barrie Thibodeau. Second Row: Kathleen Bellino, Dawn Vierschilling, Liz Sullivan, Jill McCarthy, Jill Hornung, Rosa Perez, Ashleigh Suarez. Third Row: Mara Clamage, Rachel Cotter, Keri Erasmus, Maggie Hass, Shannon Bagley, Jennifer Dutch, Lisa Dec, Kathy Aiken, Kate McClintock.

# WARMING UP

There are always those members of the team who seem to shine a little brighter in the eyes of fans and media. Their presence on the field, in the pool or on the court is constant. However, behind the team stars, there is a group of players dedicated to the Dukes and to their quest for excellence.

Nicknamed "benchwarmers" for their sitting location during games, these players add more to the dynamics of the team than most realize.

"It's called a team for a reason," said senior Shelly Klaes, a member of the lacrosse team. "It's the whole roster of players working together to bring out the best in everyone."

Even sports that based on individual play, team spirit is always high. Sports such as archery, gymnastics, swimming, tennis and golf look to individual members to succeed.

"We cheer for each other no matter what," said Scott Colston, assistant coach of the archery team. "We value everyone from the best archer on the team to the new guy who is having a little trouble. Everyone is important."

Sometimes, however, it is the part of the benchwarmer to take on the role of spectator, instead of player.

"I was a walk-on the basketball team my sophomore year," said Brian Ballard. "I didn't get much playing time that year but I think it was really good for me because I watched more experienced players on the team and learned about the game."

With many talented students with athletic ability, spots are scarce on a team. However, many benchwarmers have a real opportunity. They're watching, learning, waiting and preparing for their turn to shine in the spotlight.

Do benchwarmers find their positions on the team satisfying or are they ready for some real action?

● Sonal Dutt ●

Standing patiently outside the dugout, JMU baseball players who are not a part of the starting line-up stand in support of the team instead of warming the bench at Mauck-Long Field. All baseball members, including benchwarmers, are essential to the make-up of the team.

Watching a teammate spike the ball over the net, these members of the team learn keys of the game from the senior players on the team. Watching those more experienced with collegiate play was helpful for others.





*Cantwell*

Kneeling on the sideline, Earnest Payton is proud to be a part of the JMU football team, even though he is not a starting player. Underclassmen often are appointed the position of "benchwarmer" due to the higher skill level and experience of upperclassmen players.

Watching their teammate fight for the ball, these members of the men's soccer team wait for their chance out on the field. Many teams at JMU have a great wealth and distribution of talent; therefore, many of the non-starters must learn more about the game from the bench.



Everyone has a place on the team, not just the starters. It's called a team because everyone has equal importance."

-Valerie Kaput

Swinging with strength and endurance, Bosch leads by time and effort to help to unite the team. Coach Burke looked upon Bosch to contribute to the Dukes' success in the beginning of the season.

Balancing steadily on the rings, Chris Golden concentrates on his routine. Golden was the first member of the men's gymnastics team to qualify for the NCAA National Championships this season.



Happy with his ring routine, sophomore David Surgent smiles after a long day of practice. Without losing a single member from last season's squad, the team looked to improve from last season's second-place finish.

Swinging with strength and endurance, sophomore co-captain Tim Bulleri practices his routine on the parallel bars. Rigorous training, lifting and practice schedules kept the team in shape during the season.



# TO THE TOP

## .....Men's Gymnastics .....

Jnclement weather may have kept the men's gymnastics team from competing in their first meet, the West Point Invitational, but nothing slowed them down after that.

All of the team's gymnasts returned from last year, including Chris Golden, considered by many to be JMU's most successful gymnast.

At the beginning of the season, head coach Roger Burke was quoted saying, "I'm looking for Chris to lead us to another outstanding record-breaking season. He has all the tools needed to lead our program to the next level."

Sophomore co-captains Mark DeNoble and Tim Bulleri led the 12-man team through many meets. Although poor traveling conditions kept the men from

West Point in early January, some team members had the unforgettable opportunity to return for the NCAA Regional Championship in April.

DeNoble holds the school record for pommel horse, and Bulleri was a strong competitor in many events. Burke named juniors Randy Frederick, Paul Baker and Greg Bosch, who joined Golden as the fourth-best still rings team in the nation, as key competitors for the team. Burke also said he expects freshmen John Kyle and John Gutierrez to be top contenders in the years to come.

As the season comes to a close, the Dukes begin to look ahead to the future. Although they are losing Golden, the team remains intact and strong as a team and expects good things for the next season and beyond.



Daniels

● Julia Filz ●



First Row: Mark DeNoble, Chris Golden, John Gutierrez, Sean Tylenda, Randy Frederick. Second Row: Ray Gradecki, Greg Bosch, Paul Baker, David Sargent, Craig Mattoon, John Kyle, Tim Bulleri.

# IN THE NEWS

Just as the world of politics, religion and international affairs changes with every passing day, the world of sports also saw radical changes and achievements. This year was monumental in the accomplishments of many individuals as well as teams.

The World Series trophy came back to the Bronx, belonging to a New York Yankees team that never gave up. Together they pulled off the ultimate comeback. The Yankees won their first World Series title since 1978 with a 3-2 victory over the defending champion Atlanta Braves in Game 6 on Saturday, Oct. 26, 1996. This marked the Yankees' 23rd title, the most in history and surely one of the most remarkable.

With the Olympics back in the United States, Kerri Strug made news in her Olympic competition. She had two goals coming to the Olympics: to make the all-around women's gymnastics finals and to have a good time. Strug's vault that sealed America's first Olympic team gold medal and made her the country's newest sweetheart also left her with two torn ligaments and a sprained left ankle. Her royal treatment started when her coach Bela Karolyi carried his latest star back into the arena for the medal presentation.

Chicago Bulls basketball star Dennis Rodman taped a scene for "3rd Rock from the Sun" for the weekly

television show which appeared in September 1996. Rodman, author of the best-selling autobiography "Bad As I Wanna Be," signed copies of his book beneath a mural with some of the 20th century's greatest writers: Hemingway, Orwell, Nabakov and Joyce. His pen was clasped in a hand delicately sheathed in silk, arm-length gloves. As he does on the court, Rodman created chaos.

Michael Johnson knows how to close out a deal quickly and efficiently. When he thought that his 1996 Olympic rivals in the men's 200 meter might threaten his 19.66 world record, he upped the ante. He broke it himself, coming in with a 19.32 time.

The sudden success of 20-year-old Tiger Wood in his first two months as a professional golfer focused attention on golf in a way unseen since the days of Arnold Palmer. "He's just so cool," said 12-year-old Derek Dickson. "It's really neat that someone his age can beat everybody." Woods, whose father is black and whose mother was born in Thailand, is well aware of his role as a pioneer in a game that is overwhelmingly white on a professional level. "If I keep progressing in golf, I could help bring more minorities into the game and make it more diverse," Woods said after practice.

Together, these athletes and others have made U.S. sports something to be proud of.

● Becky Lillard ●



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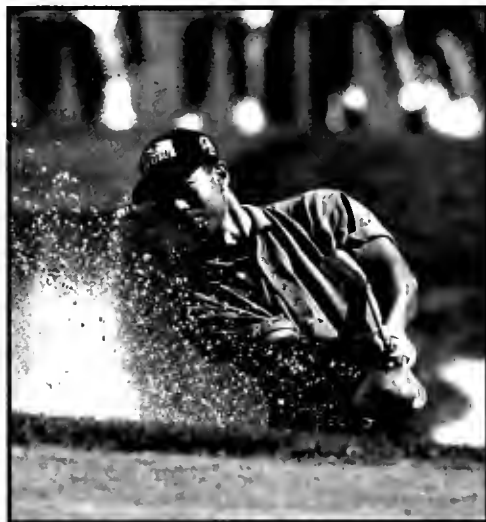
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Counter-clockwise: The New York Yankees; Bela Karolyi and Kerri Strug; Dennis Rodman; Michael Johnson; Tiger Woods

Stand before beginning, Tom Madigan and Anna Lucas prepare to battle. Madigan and Lucas, both newcomers to the team, added strength and dedication to the Duke's arsenal of weapons.

Lunging forward, this fencer thrusts her weapon with quick wrist motions. This season looked to be one of the best for the Duke's as several starters returned with past success and experience.



E. H.

Striking it to her opponent, this fencer knows how to leave her mark. After last season's trip to the NCAA's and the NIWFA Epee Team Championship, the team had high hopes for achievement this season.



# TOUCHÉ

## ..... Fencing .....

Fencing has been an Olympic sport since the start of the modern games in 1896. This ancient, elegant sport calls for both grace and athleticism. JMU boasts a small, but talented women's fencing team. The 11-member team competed in 27 dual meets this season.

Head coach Paul Campbell head coach said, "The team really pulled together. Everything was a team effort. There were strong people in each squad. We had a very heavy schedule with 27 dual meets but expected a winning season." Each member's goal was to qualify for individual participation in the NCAA Tournament.

Collegiately, women's teams fence with two of three possible weapons, the foil and the epee. Both

are thrusting weapons. Leadership of the epee squad fell to Katie Sechrist, who filled the role of epee squad captain. She said of the team, "Most people don't come to JMU planning to fence. This year, we got a lot of freshmen who have fenced in the past. There was talent from different styles. We had the reputation of a team that people liked to fence."

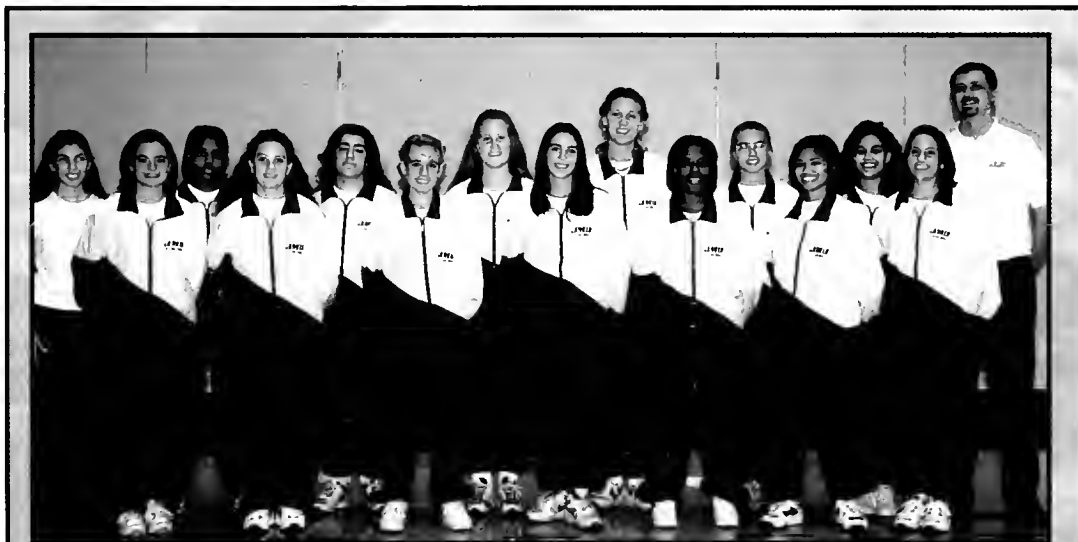
The foil squad was led by Heather Robertson, who spent the previous year fencing in an amateur club in Germany during a year abroad. Everyone on this squad played a large part in the team's success.

Regardless of the outcome of the season, the women's fencing team demonstrated dedication and determination. The small team made its presence known against formidable opponents.



K. Williams

● Keri Rumerman ●



First Row: Erin Madigan, Heather Robertson, Sarah Page, Priscilla Moon, Kimberly Pendleton, Rowena Federico, Gabrielle Wilson. Second Row: assistant coach Suzanne Lewandowski, Nicole Lawrence, Susan Loeser, Jenna Morgan, Katie Sechrist, Laura Webb, Ida Tennant, head coach Paul Campbell.

# MAKIN' NOISE

"Coach, call a time out! Man, what is he thinking?" a booming voice shouts from behind me. The voice continues to scream threats until JMU's quarterback gives the referee the "time-out" sign. Suddenly, the person behind me transforms into the coach's best friend: "Come on, coach. Let's put this game away." It's all part of the fun of watching JMU athletic events.

Sometimes the fans seem just as big a part of the game as the players are. The lengths that some people go to show their spirit is unmistakable, from the spirited fans who paint their bodies and adhere Duke Dog tattoos on their faces to the unknown guy that runs across the football field in nothing but his underwear, waving a Chi Phi flag. Sophomore Wendy Coplen could not believe what some people do to show their spirit at a football game. "I remember it being about 20 degrees outside and five guys wrote DUKES across their chests. They proudly displayed their chests for the entire football game."

Student support doesn't stop with football. Junior Jason White remembers a basketball game a few years ago when a Purdue player made the crowd mad. "For the rest of the game, whenever that guy got the ball, the Zoo Cage booed him." At court level, the Zoo Cage is always there to back up the players.

Energizing the stadium, fans have helped to evolve JMU sports throughout the years with their spirit and loyalty.

The attendance at most of the other sports has risen in the past few years as JMU has evolved. All of this support has helped lead the Dukes to many victories. "Not only does all of the cheering and shouting help the players, it makes going to the games more fun. I love getting involved in what is going on

since I can't be on the field playing," stated sophomore Malinda Layman.

No matter what your reason for going to the games, the spirit that JMU students exhibit motivates the players to give it their all and win the game.

● Becky Lillard and Stephanie Jarocki ●



Cantwell

Greeting even the littlest fans, Duke Dog interacts with everyone at the game, increasing the excitement and reminding the crowd of JMU's enduring spirit. Duke Dog seems to have unlimited energy as he runs up and down the field, goofs off with the cheerleaders and greets fans.

Showing support not only for each other but also the Dukes, two fans watch the Homecoming festivities. Numerous fans went to Godwin Field to participate in a fun-filled night, which included the Dukettes, the JMU cheerleaders, the band and a huge bonfire.





Making noise, devoted JMU students kept the crowd going on the 50-yard line. Their enthusiasm about Homecoming showed when they painted their bodies to read "GO DUKES!"

"Not only does all of the cheering and shouting help the players, it also makes the game more fun."  
-Malinda Layman



Despite the rainy weather, students and their parents intensely watch the football game as true fans often do. Although the game ended in a loss, it did not deter the spirit of the crowd. The stadium was still packed with people and displayed a rainbow of colored umbrellas.



Senior Juan Dorsey safely slides into third base in one game of a three-game series against George Mason. As a starter in left field, Dorsey had a career average of .341 against CAA opponents.



Rejoicing after yet another victory for the Dukes, the baseball team congratulates fellow player who scored the winning run. The JMU baseball team finished off the 05-06 season by winning 34 or more for the third straight year.

Waiting for the pitcher to throw a strike to the opposing team's hitter, team captain and catcher Greg Bulheller gets set for another out. During his last year on the team, Bulheller was once again the starting catcher for the Dukes.



Conquer



# HOME BOUND

## ..... Baseball .....

After a somewhat rocky start, the Dukes came into an eight-game winning streak. "I was very happy with the effort and attitude of last year's team," stated head coach Kevin Anderson. "The team had a lot of expectations on numbers that only put limitations on our season," continued coach Anderson. The streak included three wins against UNC-Wilmington and also wins against Towson State, UM-Baltimore County and Hartford.

After their streak, the Dukes found themselves faced with a hurdle of tough competition. The tough times were caused by an inability to prove themselves offensively. Facing such teams as Virginia Commonwealth, Georgetown, U. Va., Eastern Carolina and Virginia Tech, the Dukes struggled to maintain their winning record. After a regrouping, the team pulled together once again. Senior second baseman

Rusty Lowrey stated, "We started to put things in perspective. We knew we had the ability and we didn't want to end up as a below average team."

Coming off of their losing streak, the Dukes redeemed themselves with a victory over George Washington, 30-8. This constituted a 1995-96 team record for the most runs in a game. "We went out and scored several runs in the first inning and after that we felt comfortable. We kept getting hit after hit and we knew they couldn't come back," said sophomore center fielder Kevin Razzler.

After fighting their way through some more fierce competition, the Dukes began their next winning streak consisting of five games. It started with their last of three contests with Old Dominion and continued through Maryland, Radford and Virginia Tech, ending in their



Lane



Front Row: Todd Myers, Eric Parker, Jeff Hafer, Jason White, Jay Johnson, Casey Brookens, Bart Close, Corey Hoch, Bryan Johnson, Tim Bouch. Second Row: Greg White, Jeff Nalevanko, Mike Mattix, Chad Hartman, Rusty Lowery, Mike Marasco, Kevin Razler, Jon Dunn, Brad Edsell, Mike Whiteman, Glenn Borgmann, Derrick Cook, Bob Smoker. Third Row: Coach Kevin Anderson, Strength Coach Greg Werner, Chase Boggs, Juan Dorsey, Travis Harper, Andrew Gordon, Macey Brooks, Mike Sutherland, Devin Floyd, Greg Bulheller, Aaron Sams, Josh Tehonica, Asst. Coach Corey Reffner, Asst. Coach Todd Raleigh

# HOME BOUND

## Baseball

second game of three against William & Mary. However, they won the third match and their next game against fierce opponent, Maryland.

The Dukes were stopped dead in their tracks due to a 6-7 defeat in a close game against Radford. The team turned its luck around and came back strong to take home two more victories against George Washington and the first of three games against George Mason. However, they were forced to retreat with two losses in the well played final games against George Mason.

The JMU baseball team finished out the season with a win over Delaware and a 2-1 victory at Rutgers. The season concluded with the Colonial Athletic Association Tournament. The Dukes

swept through the CAA tournament, finishing with only one loss to UNC at Wilmington. "We picked up our act, and we started beating teams

that we should have been beating since the beginning of the season," said Razzler. This placed the Dukes second overall in the CAA making it the 24th consecutive non-losing season for the JMU baseball team. It was also the 15th season the team had finished with 30 or more wins.

By working together, the team was able to meet some of the goals that it wanted to accomplish during the season. Coach Anderson summed up the season: "We had an outstanding year, improving as the season went on and finishing up strong."

● Amy Giovannucci and Anne Ryder ●

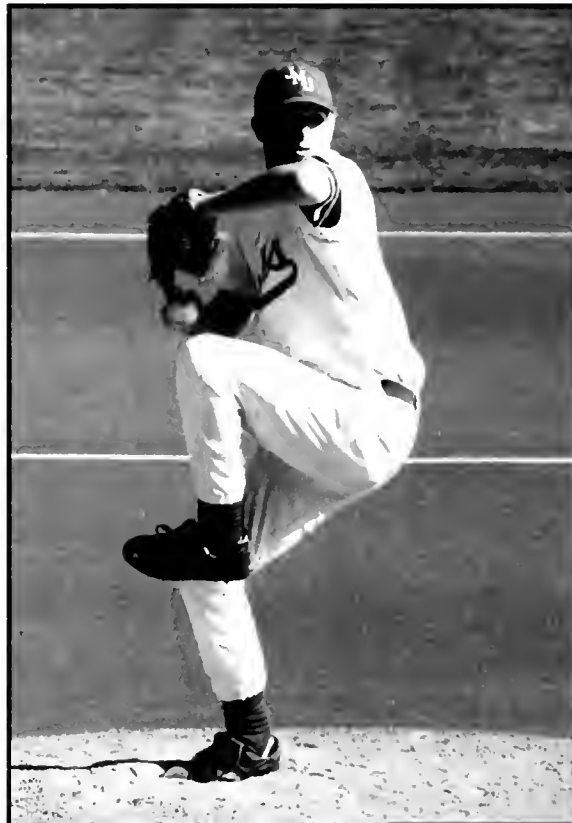


Lane



Edging his way towards second base, pitcher Greg White tries to steal a base and hopefully score a run. With a substantial leadoff, he was able to frighten GMU's pitcher.

Throwing out the first pitch of the game, team captain Casey Brookens is ready to help lead the team to victory. With speed on his side, Brookens struck out many opponents.



Lane



Getting ready to try to hit a home run, catcher Greg Bulheller prepares to do his best. In his final year with the Dukes, Bulheller was instrumental in the baseball team's victories during the 1995-96 season.

## For the Record

FMU		OPP.
7	Villanova	5
9	Villanova	15
6	Villanova	0
1	Liberty	4
7	Liberty	4
3	Drexel	4
7	Drexel	3
2	Drexel	0
5	Charleston	2
4	Charleston	9
5	The Citadel	7
2	Georgia Southern	6
3	UNC-Wilmington	2
2	UNC-Wilmington	1
5	UNC-Wilmington	4
7	Towson State	6
6	Towson State	5
11	UM-BC	6
12	Hartford	1
15	Hartford	0
2	VCU	6
4	VCU	6
5	VCU	6
5	Georgetown	8
2	U.V.A.	3
3	ECU	5
4	ECU	0
9	ECU	18
5	Virginia Tech	6
30	George Washington	8
3	Richmond	2
2	Richmond	4
3	U.Va.	5
2	Georgetown	0
2	ODU	13
5	ODU	7
16	ODU	1
8	Maryland	6
6	Radford	3
9	Virginia Tech	8
18	William & Mary	4
3	William & Mary	4
5	William & Mary	1
10	Maryland	9
6	Radford	7
16	George Washington	4
13	George Mason	12
5	George Mason	8
3	George Mason	7
2	Delaware	1
1	Rutgers	0
2	Rutgers	4
7	Rutgers	6
10	VCU	5
4	UNC-Wilmington	9
8	William & Mary	4
10	VCU	1
8	UNC-Wilmington	5
3	ODU	4

Lane

Clearing the high-jump bar, Karrie Shelton carries herself gracefully to the mat. Shelton placed seventh in the high jump at the Colonial Athletic Association Championships.



Flying over the hurdles, Kerrie Shelton begins to close in on the leading opponent. Shelton placed seventh in the 400-meter hurdles at the CAA Championships.

Setting the pace, Diana Gillani takes the lead. A shining example best described Gillani's 1995-96 year. She qualified for NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships.



# PACE SETTERS

..... Women's Track .....

They have legs and it shows! The 1995-96 women's track team competed with strength and endurance to finish fifth in the Colonial Athletic Association Championships. Several members were in the spotlight during the season, achieving numerous accomplishments and winning outstanding awards.

Head coach Gwen Harris has directed the track and field programs since 1985. She was one of the 1995 recipients of the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education's Distinguished Alumni Award. During the time Harris has served as director, 70 percent of JMU's records have been broken.

Eight individual JMU records were set during the season. Diana Gillam set individual records in the indoor 800-meter run and in the outdoor 1,500- and 3,000-meter runs,

and Zakiya Haley set a record in the 400-meter dash. Gillam, Haley, Sara Carpenter and Samantha Bates broke a record in the outdoor distance medley relay. Haley, Bates, Gillam and Tara Powers set a record

in the indoor distance medley relay. Carpenter, Bates, Bethany Eigel and Sarah Matthes made marks in the outdoor 3,200 relay. Powers, Carpenter, Matthes and Kiersten Murray showed how fast their legs could go in the indoor 3,200 relay.

Highlights and awards made the team outstanding. Bates, in the 1,500-meter run, and Gillam, in the 3,000-meter run, were CAA champions. Christi Ferran received a place on the VaSID Academic All-State First Team. Several mem-

bers won All-East honors. Junior Ferran and senior Tiombe Hurd were named the Most Outstanding Athletes.



● Wendy Crocker ●



First Row: Christy Saunders, Tracey Livengood, Jennie Snelling, Leslie Cosgriff, Jessica Giorgianni, Talande Stewart, Angela Ankoma-Sey, Sarah Matthes, Christi Ferran. Second Row: Jessica Tremblay, Kelly Rector, Stacey Donohue, Lauren Howard, Liz Kolonay, Sara Teets, Sara Carpenter, Jenae Strader, Zakiya Haley, Amy Kott, Noelle Pflum. Third Row: Diana Gillam, Talia Brookes, Laurie Butts, Tonya Hobson, Amy McCowan, Eileen Carney, Tamarra Stewart, Kiersten Murray, Maureen Jackson, Samantha Bates, Bethany Eigel, Carletta Gaines, Jodie Reise, Karrie Shelton, Tara Powers.



# FANCY FEET

## ..... Men's Track .....

**T**ime, patience and a lot of hard work triumphed over record snowfall and injuries for the men's track team. The Dukes capitalized on both youth and experience in their very successful finish of the 1995-96 season.

Training was plagued by poor track conditions, injuries and illnesses. However, the resilient Dukes aimed to add a successful outdoor season to their already successful indoor season. Coach Bill Walton said, "The one word which seemed to be used over and over again was the word patience." With the support of the coaching staff and team veterans, the men's track team braved the tough conditions and set their sights on a successful season.

Led by co-captains Chris Kearns and Pat Jennings, the Dukes fared well early in the season at the Colonial Athletic Association championship meet, hosted by JMU.

At the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America meet, the team relied on contributions from sprinters, hurdlers, jumpers and distance runners. The team was pleased with their success; their patience had paid off.

"We took one of the largest groups ever to the IC4A Championships," Walton said. Fifteen athletes representing 13 events participated in this meet. Tom Jeffrey gave an outstanding performance at the IC4A meet, finishing seventh in the 3000-meter steeplechase. This earned Jeffrey All-East honors for this event. Sophomores and juniors also played a critical part scoring points at the big meets. Freshman

standout Russ Coleman qualified for IC4A and Junior Nationals.

Twelve IC4A qualifiers will be returning for next year's season. With such a talented group, the Dukes look forward to a more successful and a promising future.



Line

● Fenton Carey ●



Front Row : Paul Lewis, Kurt Bridge, Kevin Melvin, Henry Coleman, Pat Jennings. Second Row: Tarik Vaughn, Leslie Gooding, Matt Stevens, Dan Brown, Chris Kearns, Alan Speicher, Pat Anderson, Andy Ryba, Ken Winger. Third Row: Don Cambria, Ben Wilhelm, Dave Holliday, Fenton Carey, Bret Wask, Drew Holloway, Jesse Tolleson, Marshall Smith, Colby Geiman, Mike Marshall, Tom Jeffrey. Fourth Row: Jason Alexander, Chris Allport, Steve Cole, Ryan Foster, Ryan Mammen, Curtis Lassiter, Jeff Menago, Bill Lynch, Kevin Birdsell.





Lane

Leaping into the sand pit, Kurt Bridge gives it his all in the long jump event. In the past, the JMU track team relied mostly on sprinters, but it has become more diverse by calling on hurdlers, jumpers and distance runners to boost the program among the top 20 of the IC4A.



Lane



Lane

Jumping over the 110 high hurdles, Matt Stevens uses his strength to overcome his opponent. Stevens made his mark as a newcomer by becoming a IC4A qualifier in the 110 hurdles.

Making his move, Paul Lewis sprints to the finish line in the 100-meter dash. Lewis came in second in the 100-meter at the 1995 Virginia Group AA State Championship.

Outrigger and outmaneuvering her Yale opponent, Shelley Klaes places a great shot on goal. As an attacker, Klaes is 14th on the career points list.

## For the Record

JMU	OPP.
4	Princeton
13	Delaware
8	Penn State
8	Dartmouth
15	GMU
7	Loyola
9	ODU
10	Towson State
4	William & Mary
3	Maryland
5	U.Va.
17	Richmond
19	American
14	Richmond
6	Loyola
6	Georgetown
9	Yale



Recovering the ball, captain and midfielder Jen Gicking beats out the opponent again. After recovering the ball, she passed it down the field to a teammate. Gicking ranks high on JMU's career assist list.

Goalkeeper Meg Cortez throws the ball up the field after a penalty against the Dukes' opponent. As her second year as a starter, Cortez holds the school record for the highest number of saves in a game.



# STICKS UP

## ..... Lacrosse .....

The Lacrosse team battled against difficult odds all season, but finished with a respectable record of 9 wins and 8 losses. They were faced with a very tough schedule during the spring season. All of the teams that they had to face were among the top 15 nationally ranked teams at the time that the JMU women played them.

The team was following a very successful season, which added the pressure of expectations to an already difficult schedule. Last year, the team was invited for their first appearance ever at an NCAA tournament, and the 1995 team broke or tied eight school records for lacrosse, including season goals and points.

"We had a pretty disappointing year. We did a lot better last year, and we need to do better next year," admitted sophomore Aimee Vaughan. She was, however, excited about their last game of the season. The team suffered

several losses during the spring season to women's teams ranked nationally in the top 10.

But a great deal of team growth came out of this challenging season. The team is still adjusting to coach Jennifer Ulehla, whose first season coaching the JMU women was last year.

"This was our second year with the same coach. We're seeing how she coaches us - her pattern - and we understood where she was coming from," said Shelley Klaes.

Another positive element of the season was the strong young members of the team. Freshman Megan Riley, an attack player, and Rebecca Tweel, a defense player, were invited to the Junior World Cup of 1996.

Riley also received the Rookie of the Year Award for the team. "It's exciting to see new members of the team playing well and being recognized," said third-year player Klaes.



● Shannon Ballard ●



Front Row: Lellie, Cherry, Anne Stonaker, Caryn Habay, Meg Cortezi, Tracey Johnson, Team Captain Jen Gicking. Second Row: Jamie Pleyo, Kate Brew, Tricia Cummings, Emily LeMaire, Megan Riley, Kristin O'Conner, Rebecca Tweel, Andrea Frederick, Jessica Kane. Back Row: Head Coach Jen Ulehla, Jenn Ball, Aimee Vaughan, Lindsay Manning, Shelley Klaes, Diane Mooney, Lisa Banbury, Meghan Branning, Assistant Coach Kim Orie.

Rhody Rhody compares the accuracy of his first few shots to the shots he shot earlier. Rhody placed second in recurve bow at the Virginia State Championships held last year.

Aiming for the yellow center of the target, Ryan Netzer practices his shooting technique during practice at Hillside Field. Staying focused is an important quality that all archers must possess in order to succeed.



Taking aim for the bull's-eye, Amanda Atkins, Jo Malahy, and Randy Hinkelman shoot at the target. All three archers placed first in their own events at the United States Championships.



# ON TARGET

## ..... Archery .....

The archery team shot its way to another winning record, finishing the season at 45-10. The team achieved outstanding individual and team honors which included the men's, women's and mixed teams all being named East Region Champions and the NAA overall national runner-up. Four players, Randy Hinkelman, Scott Colston, Jennifer Jordan and Jo Malahy, placed on the All-American team.

The women's team was led by Amanda Atkins and All-Americans Jennifer Jordan and Jo Malahy. Because the archers on the team compete not only with other teams, but also with each other, Atkins said that archery requires a lot of individual dedication. "You have to put forth your own effort." Atkins also added that it is important for archers to have strong concentration and poise. "The slightest error can ruin a tournament for you," she explained. Jo Malahy said her competitive nature helps to keep her focused and is

key to her success. "I am extremely driven to win," she said.

The men's team was led by All-Americans Randy Hinkelman and Scott Colston. Hinkelman said that maintaining a high confidence level makes him successful. He also said that his teammates help each other out as much as possible.



*J. Williams*

Although archery is not a popular spectator sport, Colston acknowledged the university's support. "JMU supports the archery program monetarily," he said. This enables the team to travel to competitions at which they gain more experience and exposure.

Competing with other very successful archery programs forces the team to push itself harder, he explained.

"We have solid competitors in all four categories - men's recurve, men's compound, women's recurve and women's compound," Colston said. "That makes us very tough to beat."

• Erin Binney •



Jennifer Jordan, Jo Malahy, Michelle Kendrick, Amy Bradford, Amanda Atkins, Jen Fritz, Deb Funk, Stephanie Lyszyk, Sam Turner, Matt Grason, Gary Chernich, Charles Choe, Randy Hinkelman, Brent Bauman, Scott Colston, Craig Wiand, Charles Chou, Jason Rhody, Ryan Netzer, head coach Bob Ryder.



# TOP TEN

#10. *Fashion tips...*The Dukettes have a great talent for fashion. They are always wearing the latest trends.

#9. *Going to the Zoo...*All kinds of animal noises can be heard coming from the Zoo Cage. During basketball games, JMU students let out the animal in them.

#8. *Getting smothered...*The Duke Dog loves to get up close and personal, especially when he puts on his robe and flashes the crowd.

#7. *Tight pants and short skirts...*What guy could resist watching the cheerleaders jump in the air, and what girl could go through a football game without checking out all those gold pants.

#6. *Cracking windshields...*Attending baseball games can be hazardous to your car. Every time a ball is hit, it could fly into X-lot and hit a windshield.

#5. *Variety...*Just about every sport you could

imagine is available through JMU club and intramurals programs. Sports range from competitive frisbee to water polo.

#4. *Streaking...*Sometimes during football games the infamous streaker can be seen. He runs across the field in his underwear waving a Chi Phi flag.

#3. *Being the underdog...*At JMU this statement is a positive remark. The underclassmen of team sports have got what it takes to be a Duke. They have become the backbone of different team sports. JMU has a

bright future ahead.

#2. *Conquering forces...*JMU sports are considered to be a constant challenge by opposing teams. Over the years the Dukes have become dominant on the field.

#1. *"We are the champions"...*The Dukes are home to some of the best athletes, such as the CAA National Champion field hockey team.

Reasons to  
watch JMU  
sporting events.

● A JMU Sports Fanatic ●



Carroll

Strutting their stuff, the Dukettes show off their new outfits during a home football game. Fashion complemented the spirit and intensity shown during their dance routines.

Giving the Duke Dog a lift, smothered Pat Brown wonders how much further he has to go. The Duke Dog is always at games to excite the crowd.







Scoring yet another touchdown, the Dukes prove how great they really are. With exceptional athletes attending JMU, it is easy to understand why they win so many games.

"One reason I go to games is to show my support for the number one JMU Dukes!"

-Teddy Tedlay



This ball may very well go into X-Lot and hit one of the many cars parked there. When going to a baseball game, many students feared the fate of their windshields.





# MOTIVATE

College is all about learning. Textbooks, professors and cliff notes added to increase students' knowledge about the academic world. Outside of the classroom, however, was a new type of learning. There was a world of experiences that could only be gained from participation within the 200 university organizations. Hoping to motivate the Generation X population on campus, the Democratic and Republican groups coaxed student to have their voices heard at the voting booth. Trying to make a difference in the world around them, groups such as Circle K and Alpha Phi Omega provided community service to the JMU and Harrisonburg communities. WXJM 88.7, *The Breeze* and *The Blue-stone* strived to keep students informed. Campus religious groups held weekly meetings and outings to keep students close to their faiths. Participation in organizations gave many students the opportunity to make a difference in their own lives as well as the lives of others.

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❧ Cassandra M. Chin ❧

EDITOR

Lee Richarde explains Mini C.A.D., the computer program used by JMU design students, to a visitor at the ASID Expo in Richmond, Va.

President Yvonne Peterson greets people at the ASID Expo. The booth was a creation of an upper-level class.

Yvonne Peterson, Holly Lichter and Liz Crooks pose in front of the Canadian Embassy. Several design classes took trips to Washington, D.C.



The American Society of Interior Designers is the largest professional organization for students wishing to pursue a career in interior design. ASID members sponsor guest speakers and take career-related trips. Outside of the professional realm, members also volunteer with Habitat for Humanity.



**FIRST ROW:** Yvonne Peterson, Alexandra Schmidt-Ullrich, Amy Lohr, Lisa Newcomer

**SECOND ROW:** Cassie Scrogam, Lesley Dodson, Lora Miller, Karen Swartz, Marc Herndon, Tigist Dagnew

## American Society of Interior Design



The Eta Rho chapter of TBΣ is a music service sorority, founded at JMU in March of 1987. The sorority offers recognition and leadership opportunities for outstanding bandswomen. In addition, this organization participates in "Rockin' the 'Burg," a fund-raiser for the Harrisonburg High School marching band.



Cari Hope, Sheila Wright, Kristin Eckels and Mary Johnson help out at hand camp registration for the Marching Royal Dukes.

In full uniform, Jeanne Demarest and Holly Meewissen get ready for their performance. Band members often help to set up for home games.

Tau Beta Sigma sisters gather for a fall rush event. This year, the sisters gathered for a cookout at the JMU farm to encourage membership.



## Tau Beta Sigma



FIRST ROW: Lisa Meeks, Kristin Eckels, Sheila Wright, Christine Sivigny, Diane Calendine

SECOND ROW: Holly Meewissen, Tara-Jeane Demarest, Carri Hope, Natalie Goss, Karin Durand, Dana Cobb, Christine Bosker, Alana Takevchi, Susie Heidenthal, Debbie Schoenberg

Natural Highs is a club that provides alternative social activities to the party scene and drinking. The club is not anti-alcohol, but strive to offer drug-and alcohol-free opportunities to meet the needs of students. In addition to events like dances, skate nights, movie marathons and paintball, Natural Highs has an education committee that advocates alcohol awariness in dorms.

## Natural Highs



FIRST ROW: Kara Couch, Megan Haszard

SECOND ROW: Margarita Rozenfeld, Carmen Haszard, Nicole Haber



The University Program Board, one of the largest campus organizations, collectively works to provide a variety of programs including lectures, concerts and novelty acts. UPB also provides professional and leadership opportunities in the fields of event production and promotion. UPB sponsors the popular annual Homecoming MasterCard Acts performance.



In front of the standing room audience, G. Gordon Liddy addresses the students about his involvement in the Watergate scandal. UPB presents several guest speakers each semester.

Performing in the annual MasterCard Acts talent search, this participant competes for first place. UPB encouraged student participation in different events and programs.

Enjoying the banquet dinner, the UPB executive board finishes off a Charlotte conference in style.



## University Program Board



FIRST ROW: Michelle Parsons, Molly Amburn, Amy Edwards

SECOND ROW: John Passmore, Tasha Vij, Geoff Crawford, Linne Oxley, Alison Schwartz

THIRD ROW: Rebecca Simmons, Michael Robinson, Ted Boyke, Rob Taylor, Brian Walker

FOURTH ROW: Chris Mason, Akiba Byrd, Rick Seamster, Todd Dubenezic, Casey Houtz, Tim Whelski, Chris Stup, Jenny

During the back-to-school retreat, SMO Executive members take time for some daredevil fun. Go-cart racing brought the group closer together.

The executive council members of SMO sit in front of their display at the 1996 Organizational Fair, encouraging students to join the group.

In an effort to keep minorities on campus unified, SMO selected "Together We Stand" as their slogan, as shown on their organization banner.



Students for Minority Outreach is an organization that promotes JMU as a progressive and ethnically diverse institution. Its goal is to reach out to all minority students on campus before and after acceptance to the school. SMO, established in 1989, hosts admission tours and recruitment banquets and also participates in JMU Take-a-Look Day and African-American Prospective Weekend.



**FIRST ROW:** Tonyea Allmond, Sherrye Jackson, Wani Dennis, Christyl Lee

**SECOND ROW:** Geoff Crawford, Rhonda Jones, Gene Wheeler, Janeene Bland

**THIRD ROW:** Michelle Smith, Shavonta Green, Vanessa Cantave, Chris Jones, Shenay Lewis, Jakia Bowers, Stephanie Vaughan

## Students for Minority Outreach



The Student Athletic Training Association aims to enrich the knowledge and advancement of the athletic training field for Madison students and the community. The curriculum includes students working with athletes at the varsity level during practices and games. In addition, they work with local charities, including the Harrisonburg chapter of the American Red Cross.



Katie Sturm, Lisa Peratino, Anna Ferguson, John Roberts and April Rodgers enjoy each other's company off the job. SATA promoted fellowship with its members.

Athletic trainers Dave McCune and Jeff Kaminski enjoy the post-game activities. Once the work was done, many members enjoyed their time off.

These members enjoy SATA's annual member picnic. SATA also sponsored several career-related activities to aid in post-college ambitions.



## Student Athletic Training Assoc.



**FIRST ROW:** Wendy Bateman, Jen Turczyn, Laura Fritz, Jessica Beck, Seth Crawford

**SECOND ROW:** Shelly Taylor, Kristie Pugh, Chris Schultheiss, Jeff Kaminski, Katie Sturm, Andrew Gibson

**THIRD ROW:** Dave McCune, Chris Thompson, Amy Morris, John Roberts, Anna Ferguson, Leah Washington, Michelle Shannan, Melissa Meeker, Brad Sandella, Todd Pickens

Getting ready for the CSC semi-formal, Andy Sorenson and Lesley Grieco prepare for a night of fun. Formals and semi-formals gave members a chance to dress up and light up the town.

Celebrating the weekend, Andy Sorenson and Kevin Grunkenmeyer dress up for a theme party. CSC often sponsored social events for members and non-members.

CSC is a committee made up of off-campus students that strives to serve the needs of commuter students. With an understanding of the problems and experiences of commuter students, the group is actively involved in many projects, including work in the Office of Off-Campus Living. The group consists of nine members.



## Commuter Student Council

FIRST ROW: Matt Beekman,  
John Woolford, Frank Rosenblatt

SECOND ROW: Kyle Wesson,  
Andy Sorensen, Hillary Zahm,  
Catherine Batzli, Heather Pryce



**B**rothers of New Direction offers support and brotherhood for minority men. As a unified group of individuals, they try to increase cultural awareness. The JMU chapter of B.O.N.D. was founded in 1989 and currently enrolls 20 members. This year they participated in community service and held fund-raisers to support the Million Man March.



**L**ending a hand during the annual Homecoming Step Show, the members help with the vast preparations and setup.

**E**njoying dinner, B.O.N.D. members take an opportunity to catch up with their brothers. Members tried to incorporate fellowship events into their days.

**C**elebrating Halloween, these members volunteer at the haunted house at the Simms School. Service to the community helped bring the members together for a good cause.



## Brothers of New Direction



**FIRST ROW:** Victor Pryor, Vincent Wiley, Dan Konde, Cuaduana Terry, Sekenia Welch

**SECOND ROW:** Nickia Palmer, Leslie Gooding, Omar Joseph, Duane Bryant, James Colbert, Mikey Courtney, Michael Ellis, Chris Carter, Tim Craig, Leland Keeling

Hoping to unite the Indian and Pakistani students on campus, IPSA strives to offer cultural and social activities for students of all nationalities at JMU.

Club Latino includes over 30 members. With a base of many thoughts and ideas, the club hopes to foster interest in all nationalities, especially the Hispanic population.



## Club Latino

## Indian/Pakistani S.A.



FIRST ROW: Shen Me Cubres, Anne Reilly, Mike DelPier, Monica Guzman, Chris Diaz, Steve Morgan. SECOND ROW: Matt Richardson, Corey de Ralme, Andy Cline, Orlando Ruiz, Mark Meyerhik, Henry M. Yu. THIRD ROW: Will Salomone, Te-la Martinez, Emily West, Melissa Cruz, Claudia Serran, Christina Jones, Michelle Machack, Christy Haven, Juan Carro, Maribel Cortez, Andres Jimenez.

FIRST ROW: Salomka Sethi, Rajni Patel, Parul Shah, Shalini Daswani, Nadisha Prehs. SECOND ROW: Gagan Bih, Desmond Wilson, Arun Sundar, Gaurav Aggarwal, Derrick Wilson, Ali Shah, Abhay Shah.





The International Students Association is a social organization that works to build an awareness of the international community at JMU and the Harrisonburg area.

The Pre-Physical Therapy Society is geared towards pre-physical therapy and pre-occupational therapy majors who plan to attend graduate schools in those fields.



## International S.A.

## Pre-Physical Therapy



FIRST ROW: A. Fara, A. Yuki, Z. Muthier, K. Anandani, J. VanDerweppen, N. Heiber, S. Darquea, C. Narvaez, C. Serrano SECOND ROW: S. Baffour, N. Essayas, M. Tesfamichael, J. De La Cruz, M. Roehm, R. Richardson, J. Chirdoga, M. Mucciolo, L. Cima THIRD ROW: N. Prelo, K. Lau, M. Stylanou, I. Khan, I. Ko, A. Kullman, R. Ghiescu, A. Matei, D. Beltran FOURTH ROW: D. Denietron, J. Steiner, P. Sisamos, H. Baffour, R. Balcharumintan, D. Langhans, R. Roggevo, K. Wilds, hmdlr, S. Hamamichi

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS: Robyn Young, President, Lisa Montgomery, Vice President, Jennifer English, Secretary, Kari Baker, Treasurer, Karen Christopher, Publicity, Amber Combs, Fundraising, James Every, Historian

Melissa Booz, Julie English, Julie Booze, Janna Lipman, Scott Ashcraft and Gina Nelson to put on rushees at student organization night.

Hugging her proudly, Mark English and Brian Haller help celebrate Tara McCarthy's brother initiation into Phi Chi Theta.

The girls of Phi Chi Theta enjoy a day in the sun. This semi-annual farm party at the is only one of many fun events that the fraternity participates in.



Phi Chi Theta is a brotherhood of business majors who are involved in the fraternity for the purpose of networking, gaining leadership skills, learning about the business world, making new friends and enhancing their social scene. They have 26 active members and nine fall semester pledges.



FIRST ROW: Julie Booze, Colleen Birch, Staci King, Janna Lipman, Laura Johnston, Aileen Sharp, Becky Checcio, Vicki Argenbright

SECOND ROW: Kelli Kirby, Jody Stell, Mary Garner, Marcina Williams, Kymi Gillette, Keisha Garrett, Christy Chacianas, Lois Coyner

THIRD ROW: Jenn Lanuti, Rob Toms, Mark English, Scott Ashcraft, Dave Hutton, Lisa Allen

## Phi Chi Theta



**A**lpha Phi Omega, a national co-ed service fraternity, adheres to the Cardinal Principles of Leadership, Friendship and Service. Members devote time and money to local, state and national philanthropies while strengthening the ties of brotherhood within the fraternity. There are over 100 current members.



Taking advantage of the good weather, these members celebrate the bi-annual Blue & Gold outing in Purcell Park by building a human pyramid.

Brothers Molly Amburn, Nancy Birch and Amy Vernon help a proud Lionel West celebrate his induction into Alpha Phi Omega as a pledge.

Singing the Toast Song on the steps of Wilson Hall, the neophytes of ΑΦΩ prepare themselves for the fun-filled Spirit Day ahead of them.



## Alpha Phi Omega



FIRST ROW: Sean Niehoff, Chris Diering, Frank Arietta, Chris Dana, Jeff Marsh, Ryan Whitlock, Jennie Karro, Kelly Kenneally. SECOND ROW: Nancy Birch, Jenn Desposito, Stephanie Karoly, Wendy Quinn, Tammy Pavlik, Lisa Bishop, Mithra Tafreshi, Heather Griffiths, Amy Vernon, Molly Amburn. THIRD ROW: Jen English, Carolyn Phillips, Alicia Payne, Lindsey Evans, Kerin Lankey, Kim Trafton, Kim Hayes, Kelly Poliquin, Heather Pryce, Heather Kutler, Jen Engler. FOURTH ROW: Sue Kwon, Temple Aylor, Kris Leutkemeier, Lisa Anderson, Laura Moffett, Sharon Goodrich, Chris Ethridge, Julia Cornick, Amy Springfloat, Aki Crouch, Colleen Courtney, Ingrid Savage, Christine Dahlquist, Christina Zechman. FIFTH ROW: Laurie Butts, Mary Byrd, Carolyn Reams, Mike Canada, Brian Mix, Karissa Kleiman, Cher deGuzman, Lionel West, Sonal Dutt, Jen Graham.

Demonstrating brotherly love is a cinch for Christa Davis and Mark Connelly as they take a break from the farm party to pose for the camera.

Stephanie Scates, Chris Farrell, Erin Fuselier and Nicole Pivko enjoy each other's company. Brothers often socialize after attending a professional event.

Newly initiated members mingle with the brothers at their formal. Formal is always a highly anticipated event for all of the Pi Sigma Epsilon brothers.



Pi Sigma Epsilon is the only national, professional, co-educational fraternity in market sales management and selling. It is also the only business fraternity that accepts all majors. Members participate in sales, research, marketing and service projects in order to gain practical business experience. Founded at JMU in 1990, ΠΣΕ currently has 48 active brothers.



**FIRST ROW:** Emily Lich, Darriek Ayres, Candice Munsey, Rachel Weaver, Gayle Vogel, Stephanie Scates, Laura Parke, Debbie Witschen, Lisa Shulman, Amy Williams, Shavonta Green

**SECOND ROW:** Joy D'Agostino, Pam Haraway, Angela Smith, Dara Goodman, Hilary Roberts, Francis Gilhooly, Christa Davis, Vrad Sandella, Lauren Ritchie, Heather Ravshenberg

**THIRD ROW:** Brian Gainer, Todd Donaghue, Dan Catlaw, Jessica Tencze, Tanya Banks, Dave Chintala, Kevin Miller, Aaron Wyman, Greg Wilson, Graham Farbrother

## Pi Sigma Epsilon



The purpose of the Contemporary Gospel Singers is to promote and cultivate spiritual growth. CGS also promotes cultural and educational awareness of traditional and contemporary gospel music to JMU and the community. It holds annual concerts and participates in various community service projects.



Senior Shannay Lewis, tells Keith Cook what CGS has to offer prospective members. The members of CGS encourage freshmen to join their ministry.

CGS travels to their Sunday mass at the First Baptist Church of Harrisonburg. CGS often travels to various churches in order to perform.



## Contemporary Gospel Singers



FIRST ROW: Ebony Mitchell, Chanelle Chapman, Shanti Rolle, Tanya Williams, Monira Parker, Melaney Johnson, Diana DeLoatch, April Gamble, Shannay Lewis SECOND ROW: Meeshalana Parham, Dionna Bibbs, Janelle Cherry, Marketia Taylor, Dawn Claiborne, Angela Andrews, Stephanie Johnson, Terrence Owens, Montesse Walber, Carla Randolph, Krista Robinson, Nikita Robinson, Adia Thompson THIRD ROW: Vanessa Daniels, Kynisha Debose, Danielle Burnett, Erica Farmer, Kim Tate, Danielle Suggs, Rodney Scott, Tella Minor, Michael Andrews, Keith Cook, Victoria Hunter, Jakema Alsop FOURTH ROW: Ericka Broadbush, Tanya Brooks, Le'Shawn Harris, Shana Bannister, Courtney Welburn, Danielle Bridgetforth, Angel Rogers, Kahni Ward, Lavell White, Christopher Carter, Gerri Fowler, Christopher Jones, Corey Holeman, Tanya Glascoe, Techera Randolph, Erica Wrenn FIFTH ROW: Kim Jones, Liz Edwards, Dana Byrd, Yolanda Massey, Kia Hughes, Jennifer Griffin, Reginald Reynolds, Michael Terry, Gary McCoy, Tiffany Wilson, Nichole Ligon, Denise Norman, Tohry Petty



**J**ill and Kevin Miller prepare for an important multimedia presentation. The Rotaract club prepares its members for the real world.

**T**hese two members smile happily after a successful Rotaract club interest meeting. The number of active members continues to grow each year.

**A** member helps children bake cupcakes in a community project. Rotaract members often volunteer in service projects throughout the Harrisonburg area.



**R**otaract club provides young men and women with opportunities to enhance the knowledge and skills that will assist them in developing personally, addressing the physical and social needs of their communities, and promoting better relations between all people worldwide through a framework of friendship and service. There are over 50 active members.



**MEMBERS:** Aaron Alonge, Katie Basinger, Douglas Bates, Monica Bonnett, Courtney Bryant, Caritta Cheng, Dave Chintala, Lindsay Coble, Alicia Collins, Mark Connelly, Patricia Constantinidis, Tina Cothran, Christa Davis, Jill Eberle, Aimee Fradette, Erin Gill, Dara Goodman, Ki Griggs, Ann Gripe, Karen Guinck, Kimberly Hayes, Jani Hudak, Savitha Janakiraman, Steve Jones, Jennifer Kelly, Elizabeth Lathrop, Heather Levinson, Connie Macpherson, Kelly Mannix, Kellie McDonald, Kevin Miller, Kimberly Miller, Kela Morehead, Jessica Moriarty, Kasandra Mueller, Jennifer O'Malley, Hillary Roberts, Rob Rodriguez, Ron Rose, Michelle Rich, Lisa Schulman, Scooter, Tiffany Simmons, Angela Smith, Erin Smith, Jessica Smith, Whitney Sudd, Jamie Stafford, Brett Stefanko, Paul Tate, Michael Thompson, Chintak Walker, Nicole Witt, Christina Zanette

## Rotaract





Student Ambassadors are a selected group of individuals who are often prospective students' first impression of JMU. They can often be seen on campus giving tours to high school students and their parents. They have won various national awards for their outstanding program and believe strongly in their motto, "Serving students: past, present and future."



This wild bunch of ambassadors show their spirit in a different way at their annual Halloween costume party. Different social events helped promote unity and friendship.

Pat Brown and Jason Heisserman join the Duke Dog as hosts of the 1997 Homecoming weekend bonfire.

The Student Ambassador executive council, composed of eight officers and four advisers, gather at a winter retreat to discuss upcoming events and ideas.



## Student Ambassadors



**FIRST ROW:** Seijra Toogood, Lauren Bronich, Jamie Magee, Alex DerHovhanessian, Carey Meixner, Michelle Blass, Heidi Cutler

**SECOND ROW:** Gretchen Fox, Anna Nolan, Kelly Connolly, Leslie Grieco, Kelly O'Brien, Meghan Melarkey, Cindy Allen, Dana Berle

**THIRD ROW:** Ann Smith, Shannon Walter, April Roberts, Sarah Agnor, Joy Collins, Harry Kraeter, Mike Mafodda, Tara Riley, Kim Yesbeck

**FOURTH ROW:** Chad Haynes, Suzanne Liola, Jennine Miller, Rick Bernstein, Brannen Edge, Amy Senger, Johnny Beakes, Janelle Way, Matt Cooper

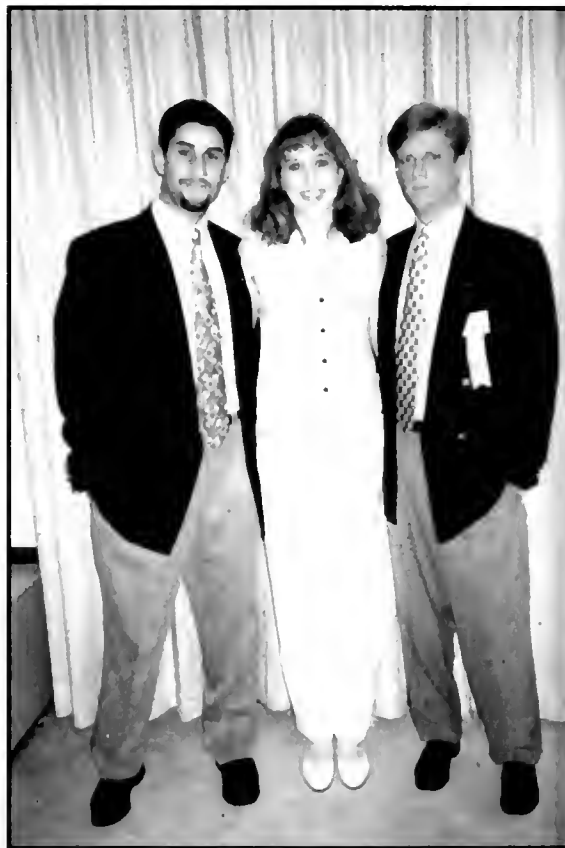
Elizabeth Bagby, Laura Pine and Andrea Henry smile proudly after attending the national member initiation. The convention brought members together from all over the country.

The national convention gives members Ahmad Ellini, Andrea Henry and Scott Hickey an opportunity to get to know each other better.

Dr. Cletus Sellers, Scott Hickey, Clay Sellers, Andrea Henry and Ahmad Ellini mingle at the national convention in Birmingham, Ala.



AED, a national pre-medical honor society, provides members with opportunities to develop qualities of initiative, leadership and self-education through participation in activities such as blood drives, Halloween parties at RMH and the Multiple Sclerosis Walk. Since its formation at JMU in 1989, AED recruited 100 members.



President:  
Scott Hickey  
Co-President:  
Andrea Henry  
Adviser:  
Dr. Cletus Sellers  
Treasurer:  
Ahmad Ellini  
Programmer:  
Laura Pine  
Historian:  
Elizabeth Bagby

## Alpha Epsilon Delta



The Presbyterian Campus Ministry is a Christian organization serving the campus and community. PCM involves students from a variety of denominations and beliefs. It strives to meet the needs of college students and to be a source of strength for the church and society. There are currently 40 members in the ministry.



These students gather for an event at the Campus Ministry Center. Members of the ministry were enthusiastic about doing activities together.

Several students diligently bake cookies at a lifeskills fellowship. The ministry hosts many programs that benefit the community.

These students are participating in a Habitat for Humanity workday in Lynchburg in preparation for their Spring Break trip to South Carolina.



## Presbyterian Campus Ministry



FIRST ROW: Sheena Mendenhall, Jaime Dritt, Megan Fitzpatrick, Jill Walworth

SECOND ROW: Michael Pack, Lisa Phipps, Chris Barden, Ginger Aliotti, Eric Larsen

# Student Government Association



**FIRST ROW:** Russell Lord, Lauren Hendricks, Tony Madsen, Kristin Brannen, Tory Jenkins, Ann Marie Phillips, Robert Keeling, Mary McNutt, Mat McCollough **SECOND ROW:** Scott Miles, Mandi Wolf, Michelle Carroll, Chris DiSano, Kyle Wesson, Jeff Marsh, Lindsay Fitz, April Roberts, Shavonta Green, Yasmeen Al-Khafaji **THIRD ROW:** Brian Garrison, Greg Montalto, Maggie Ellis, Julia Filz, Collin Lee, Melissa Sanders, Cassey Cain, Heather Wood, Elizabeth Peacock, Pamela Haraway, Lauren Pokornicky, Andrew Sorensen, Michael Ingram, Misty Benna **FOURTH ROW:** Emily Couch, Sharon Cohen, Geoff Sulanke, David Baker, Richard Jenkins, Kelly Sheeran, Taylor Stortevant, Jenny Morrison, Jamie Kutchman, Heather Herman, Chris Farrell, Jason Cervenak, Kathryn Scott **FIFTH ROW:** Max Finazzo, Susan Deyampert, Moira McCaffrey, Will Greco, Paul Marchant, Will Pearson, Chris Phillips, Jeffrey Nimmer, John Wolford, Wrenn Cox, Holly Carter, Liz David, Gene Fishel, Erin Uyttewaal, Andrew Shontz, Jack Neill, Michelle Carlisle

## Freshman Council



Erin Uyttewaal, Julia Filz, Heather Herman

## Sophomore Council



Kelly Frank, Will Greco, Greg Montalto, Lauren Hendricks

"The Student Government Association works with faculty and administration to voice student concerns and opinions. SGA is the umbrella organization for the over - 220 organizations at James Madison University."



SGA Executive Officers

FIRST ROW: April Roberts, Kyle Wesson, Kim Wilson, Andy Sorensen  
SECOND ROW: Tony Madsen, David Baker, Kelly Sheeran

## Junior Council



FIRST ROW: Rebecca Flagle, Chris DiSano, Frank Rosenblatt, Catherine Batzli  
SECOND ROW: Jason Meade, Chris Friedl, Kyle Wesson, Drew Shontz

## Senior Council



Maggie Ellis, Toni Wormley, Susan Degampert

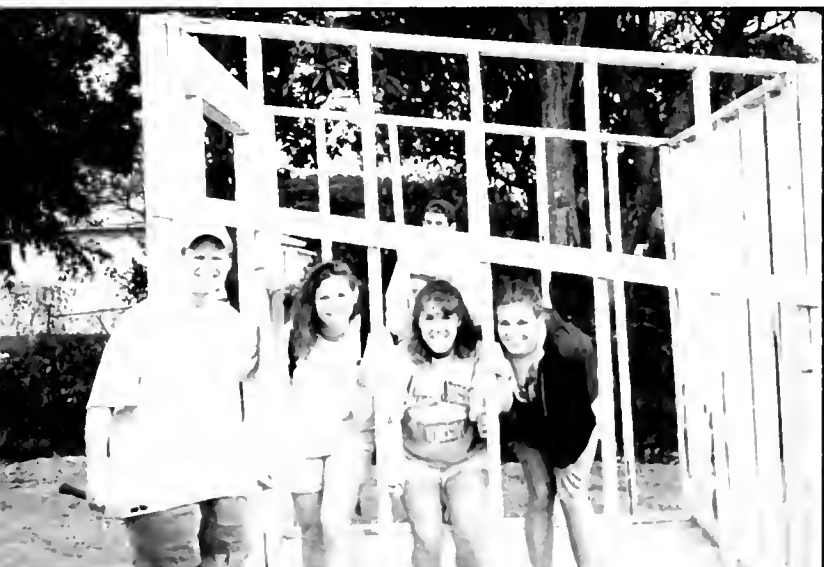
Christy Fisher from JMU's Habitat and Sunny from the Ndola Affiliate of Habitat Zambia lay bricks in Chisumbu Village in Zambia, Africa.

Kristin Dame, set tables out to promote and recruit for the Annual Hack for Humanity fundraiser.

Paul Clements, Mira Signer, Tracy Rodrigues and Becky Huber spend their Spring Break helping others. They built homes in Florida.



Habitat for Humanity is a student-run, student-led organization that works to further the mission of Habitat International through fund-raising, building, education and other activities. Habitat International builds homes with and for people living in inadequate housing and provides these houses at no interest mortgages.



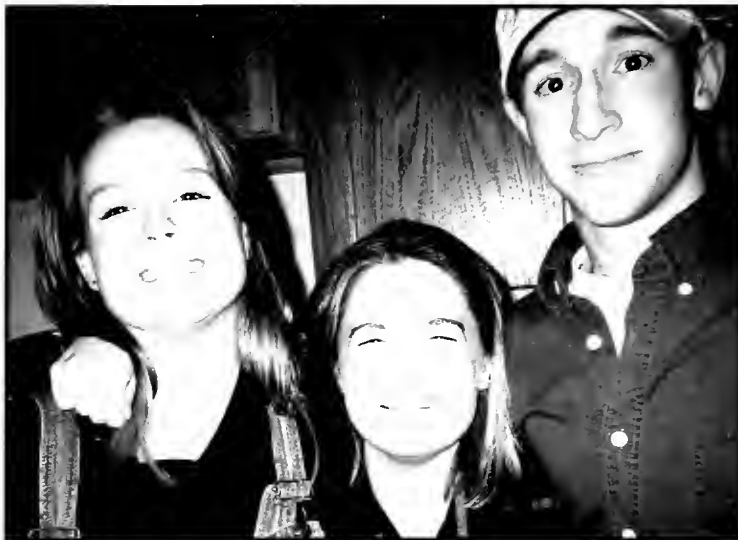
BOARD MEMBERS: Stacy Grosh, President; Tricia Schmidt, Vice President; Tracy Rodrigues, Treasurer; Ann Marie Phillips, Secretary; Anne-Marie Buzzannel, Nurturing; Ted Murphy and Jen Ficas, Fund-raising; Kristin Dame, Projects; Christy Fisher, Publicity; Jordan Mallah, Public Relations; Danielle Wagner, Historian; Eric Fowlkes, Non specific.

## Habitat For Humanity





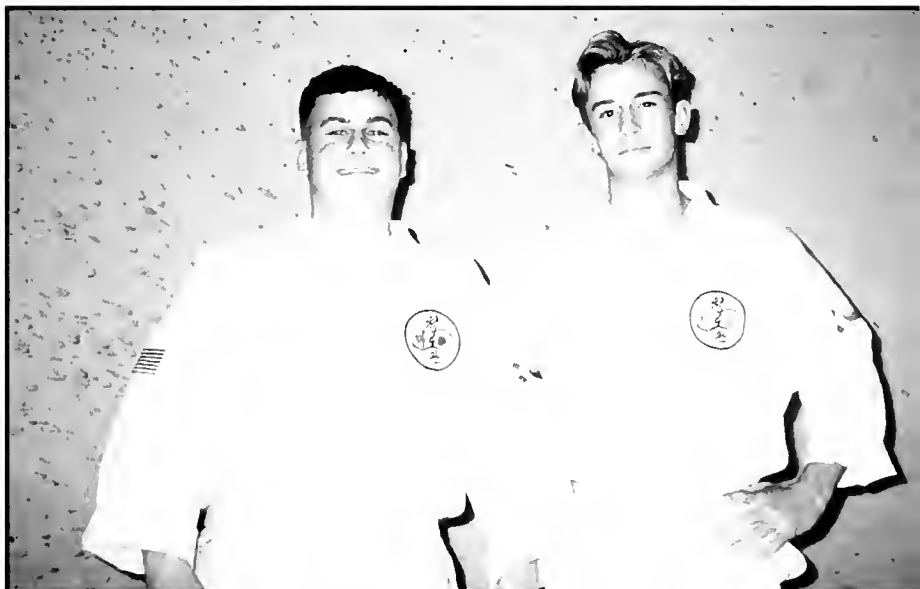
The Tae Kwon Do Club was founded in 1993. The club currently has 50 members, including both male and female members. Workouts consist of heavy aerobic and muscular conditioning, and flexibility drills as well as practical self-defense techniques. Students are instilled with a sense of confidence, humility, respect and perseverance.



The members of the Tae Kwon Do club do more than just martial arts together. Sarah Kain, the club secretary, hangs out with two fellow members at a party.

Being part of an organization like the Tae Kwon Do club is a great way to make new friends. Bethany Hope and Matt Pasquale are great examples.

Although they may be smiling at the camera, club members Matt Pasquale and Dennis Bowne are quite an intimidating presences in competition.



## Tae Kwon Do



FIRST ROW: Sarah Kain, Ahren Knutsen, James Yeom Head Instructor, Evan Cantwell, Dan Monico  
SECOND ROW: Jon Clapp, Wes McBain, Matt Horning, Ron Yeaw, Laura Miller, Ashley Galacowicz  
THIRD ROW: Peggy Bollinger, Chris Cosgriff, Sean Slevin, Dennis Bowne, Jeremy Toolman, Colin Robinson, Jenny Silva  
FOURTH ROW: Amy Jester, Ryan Diparisi, Chris Hoy, Jimmy Bost, Davey Jones, Matt Pasquale

Brothers of Alpha Kappa Psi join together on a Saturday to help raise money for their philanthropy, Walk America.

Alpha Kappa Psi brothers enjoy their annual semi-formal at Yellow Rose. This year, the event was held in northern Virginia.

Jason Harklerode, Laura Casey, Cindi Farrenkopf and Becky Wesolowski enjoy Yellow Rose with a little dancing.



Alpha Kappa Psi is a co-ed, international, professional business fraternity. It focuses on helping to prepare students for the business world by networking with leaders in the business community. It participates in and hosts many community service events such as Adopt-a-Flowerbed, and a Red Cross Blood drive and intramurals.



**FRONT ROW:** Stacie Ketter, Becky Wesolowski, Connie DeWitt, Matasha Wilson, Alicia Pannell, Erin Wallace, Sarah Huddle **SECOND ROW:** Alicia Weir, Diane Shiflett, Cory Gasaway, Ernie Savage, Brian Thomas, Michelle Coleman, Elaina Scyphers, Dana Muscaro **THIRD ROW:** Laura Casey, Lori Rawls, Astrid Edinger, Dana Maul, Candi Brown, Christine Duty, Cynthia Hughes **FOURTH ROW:** Kristin Scott, Jason Osborne, Andy Cooley, Jason Harklerode, Chris Gerkin, Ben Edgell, Cindi Farrenkopf

## Alpha Kappa Psi



"WXJM reigns supreme in the underground of your surreal subconscious of subcultures and subgenres you could subdivide into separate facets. Intricate, no? We think so."



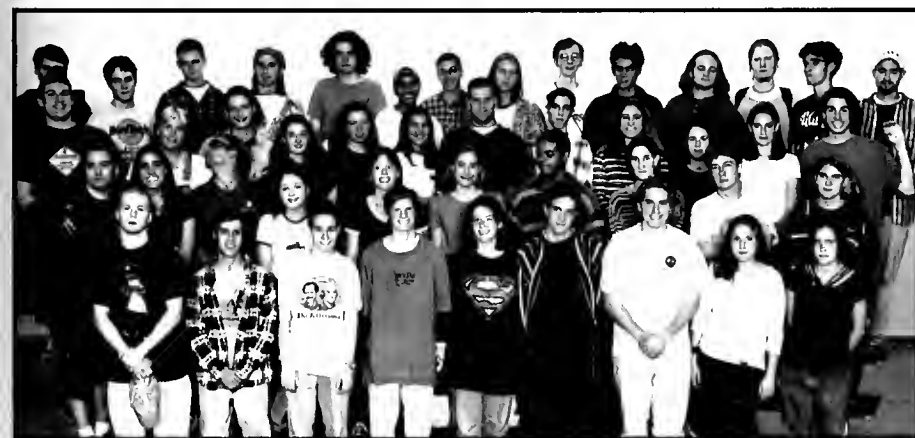
Lauren Staab and Jason Misterka display the new 1996 WXJM program guide. Student deejays broadcast their shows on 88.7 FM.

John Frazier takes some time out to dance at WXJM's fifth anniversary celebration in the PC Ballroom. Working for WXJM is a rewarding experience.

Jon Roth and Jeff Simmermon introduce bands and give away free prizes at WXJM's Anniversary celebration, which was attended by many faithful listeners.



# W X J M



FIRST ROW: John Schulz, Ben Finklestein, Kath Williams, Buddy Paulett, Leigh Ennis, Matt Thomas, Nate George, Jenn Nappi, Karen Wheatley SECOND ROW: Jes Rosenburg, Jenny Keen, Noelle Oliver, Wim Wethe, Liz Bell, Jason Jeffries-Glasgow, Erin Conroy, Brian Lipps THIRD ROW: Sam Uzwick, Jessica Fry, Ryan Whittier, Julie Klossner, Angela Shutske, Shelby Crouch, Russell Reed, Suzanna Paradise, Erin Snider, Amanda Musick, Chris Moutenot FOURTH ROW: Barry Ruchs, Jacob Wascalus, Chance Hausler, Gregg Damanti, Walker Tufts, Ian Vafar, Alex Saify, Jason Andrews, Andrew McConachie, Nick Rivetti, Jason Misterka, Mark Batten, Don Cambria, Rob Petrone.

As the audience gets ready for the 1996 Comedy Tour that was sponsored by the Black Student Alliance this year in the Highlands Room.

The members of the BSA executive board meet with comedians Arnez J. and Shuckey Duckey after the Comedy Tour performances.

In one of the most unforgettable acts of the comedy show, comedian Arnez J. acts out one of his hilarious stunts for an appreciative audience.



Black Student Alliance is an organization of students dedicated to cultivating effective leadership, stimulating cultural and educational experiences, and establishing a more perfect union among the black community. BSA programs social events, motivational speakers and biweekly meetings to discuss relevant issues. BSA was voted the 1995-96 Student Organization of the Year.



## Black Student Alliance

FIRST ROW: Travisha Gunter, Stephanie Scates.

SECOND ROW: Gary McCoy, Troy Booker, Mike Andrews. Not pictured: Cherimonda Huff.



**P**hi Sigma Pi is a national honor fraternity that participates in a variety of social, service and leadership activities. The organization was formed nationally in 1916 and at JMU in 1995. The current 43 members are especially proud of their work with Mercy House and Habitat for Humanity. Phi Sigma Pi is a fraternity that stresses service and scholarship.



**C**eleste Legg and Shannon Ballard help make decorations at Mercy House. Throwing a party at Mercy House for the kids is an annual rush event.

**L**ittle brother Sandy Wright and big brother Becky Askew exchange paddles and letters during the Founders Day awards ceremony.

**A**fter initiation, new brothers gather for a group photo. Since the founding of ΦΣΠ in 1995, membership has been growing steadily.



## Phi Sigma Pi



**FIRST ROW:** Lisa Owens, Cari Evers, Christine Imhof, Becky Askew, Lindsay Chapple, Melissa Clark

**SECOND ROW:** Sandy Wright, Andrea Henry, Celeste Legg, Tara Gilpin, Becky Devers, Suzanne Blaisdell

**THIRD ROW:** Greg Blair, Doug Smith, Raj Sureja, Shannon Ballard, Mike Graf, Monica Knapp, Ben Mummert

B...rs... together over the upcoming weekend for pre-game tailgating. Heather Pope, Aaron Parr, Melissa Dupuis and Art Ludwig catch up on old times.

D...r. Reid, the new Dean of the College of Business, was sponsored by ΔΣΠ to speak to students about the future of the college and the directions it will take.

S...tudents huddle around the see-saw to mark the end of a 7-day long see-saw-a-thon to raise money for the Michael Matthew Brown Scholarship.



Delta Sigma Pi is a professional fraternity organized to foster the study of business in universities; to encourage scholarship, social activity, and the association of students for their mutual advancement by research and practice; to promote closer affiliation between the commercial world and students of commerce, and to further a higher standard of commercial ethics and culture.



**FIRST ROW:** Jamie Colbert, Faye Ng, Estelle T-say, Sandra Shu, Caren Solomon, Heather Pope

**SECOND ROW:** Christine DeLuca, Kadi Mattox, Dawn Rush, Amy Bowen, Debbie Lansing, Kimberlee Perry, Maggie Toman, Brittain Carroll, Stephanie Torneden, Thomas Ravn

**THIRD ROW:** Deborah Boshier, Harry Kraeter, Tim Taylor, Lauren Singer, Colin McGowan, Shannon Alder, Joe Choi, Ivan Wanat, Art Ludwig, Eric Harding, Jeff Copp, Louis Gates

**FOURTH ROW:** Andrew LaHart, Drew Yanishak, Chris Lively, Brian Wit, Jason Walton, Jason Ruggiero

## Delta Sigma Pi





The more than 40 members of the Honor Council strive to uphold the academic integrity of the university and educate students and faculty about the Honor Code. Each year, the student body nominates a set of executive officers to head the council. As an organization, the Honor Council participates in Honor Awareness Week, hearings and various presentations around campus.



The members of the Honor Council executive board work diligently to keep honor on the minds of students and faculty during Honor Awareness Week.

Honor Council representatives Blair Brown and Jason Zeller promote academic integrity to passing students on the Commons.

These members Erica Derbenwik, Mary Ann Tsai and Michelle Carlisle hand out "prizes" to students who pass their Honor Code quizzes.



## Honor Council



**FIRST ROW:** Sandy Wright, Maureen Adler, Nadisha Prelis, Tammy Pavlik, Erin Gill, Laura Bickerton

**SECOND ROW:** Lauren Knapp, Blair Brown, John Ankeney, Michelle Carlisle, Kevin Chamberlin, Stephen Bloomquest

**THIRD ROW:** Leah Sansbury, Rich Prisinzano, Amy Reed, Patrick Wyman, Matt Smith, Chris Meurer

**B**eta Beta Beta is a national biological honor society for undergraduates dedicated to improving the understanding and appreciation of biological study, and extending the boundaries of human knowledge through scientific research. The club sponsors speakers in related fields, has a tutoring program for biology students, and goes hiking and white water rafting.

**B**eta Beta Beta members often take advantage of the fact that JMU is in the middle of two mountain ranges. These students just finished the long hike up to Oak Knobb Lookout.

**W**hile on a hike in the Valley, these student members enjoy nature and receive a little botany lesson from the Beta Beta Beta faculty adviser, Dr. John Monroe.



**FIRST ROW:** Meredith Willey, Andrea Henry, Nirav Chaudhari, Anne Stange

**SECOND ROW:** Kari Baker, Lisa Montgomery, Leeann Chandler, Steven Fairchild, Maribeth Jenka, Danielle Wagner, Melissa Mendoza, Bridget O'Laughlin

## Beta Beta Beta



Sigma Alpha Iota is an international professional women's music fraternity. Active members do service in the music building as well as in the local community. In addition, they host fundraisers such as car washes and sales to help host musical performances. Because only music students may join, all of the women have a common interest.



Stephanie Baird, Cindy Kiefer and Karen Daily encourage rushees to join by participating in a skit for an open activity during Fall rush.

The year would not be complete without a formal. Rachel Mazzucchi and Kristen Ker stand proudly before the ΣAI banner at the spring formal 1996.

Initiation was a long-awaited event for these ΣAI sisters. The spring 1996 initiates celebrate after their initiation into the fraternity.



## Sigma Alpha Iota



FIRST ROW: Stacey Smith, Karen Bell, Angie Wiseman, Bharati Soman, Rachel Mazzucchi, Melissa Sinda, Amanda Kimball

SECOND ROW: Miranda Holsten, Hee Seung Choi, Joylyn Hopkins, Albertina Dowe, Sarah Jones, Barbara Burton, Kristen Ker, Leslie Hartzell, Kim Livesay

THIRD ROW: Kelly Riley, Shannon Price, Julie Burton, Amy Call, Stacey Donnelly, Kirsten Goodpaster, Betsy Rice, Tameika Sawyer

S... He... it greets...  
... and at the International Hillel Leader's Assembly. This year the assembly was held in Pennsylvania in August.

Many members of Hillel enjoy celebrating Jewish occasions with friends at school. Here, a group celebrates Sukkot with friends.

Hillel members Lesley Kipling and David Horowitz are the proud winners of the Aikomen. The celebration was in honor of Passover.



B'nai B'rith Hillel is a religious and social group for Jewish students at JMU. Hillel exists not only for the purpose of assisting Jewish college students in maintaining their identity, but also for providing opportunities for them to interact with each other. The members celebrate all holidays and participate in Holocaust Remembrance Day in the spring.



FIRST ROW: Sandra Wright, Ben Finkelstein, Suzanne Hecht, Laurie Stillman, Carrie Schiff

SECOND ROW: Michael Staley, Alison Ackerman, Laura Pastirik, Alina Martin, Chachi Berkovitch, Gali Lev, Maury Sugarman

THIRD ROW: Josh Rosenthal, Seth Lieberman, Jordan Mallah, Risa Cohen, Stefanie McGivern, Stuart Lerner, Todd Peikin, Jason Ritterstein

## Hillel



Phi Mu Alpha is the largest professional music fraternity in the world. The JMU chapter of the fraternity is successful and expanding. An important aspect of this brotherhood is its interaction with other Virginia chapters of ΦMA. Because there are only four music organizations on campus, Phi Mu Alpha often joins the other three for joint activities, fund-raisers and events.



Andy Warren and Andrew Austin enjoy time with friends at a semi-formal in April 1996. The event was held in Staunton, Va.

The JMU and Radford University chapters join forces on the steps of Wilson Hall to sing a tune together.

Mike Nguyen, Sarah Whitney, Karsten Halusa and Nate Hess enjoy a drink together. Each spring, the four Greek music organizations hold a joint formal.



## Phi Mu Alpha



FIRST ROW: Jim Sluder, Steve Geritano, Pete Hesse, Kevin Turner, Rob Kaylin

SECOND ROW: Rich Legon, Rob Richards, Andy Warren, Andrew Austin, Mike Webb, Jeff Schaefer

THIRD ROW: Clint Miller, Kerry Finnegan, Nate Hess, Alex Cheney, Nick Cook, Karsten Halusa



In order to improve technique, band members are constantly rehearsing. Here, Jennifer Ambrose and Michelle Hill take a break at marching band practice.

All of the practicing pays off when the performers hear the cheers. Dave Campbell and Michelle Hill wait anxiously for the football game to begin.

Off the field and away from their instruments, these KKP members entertain themselves with pass the gavel at Reddick Knob.



Kappa Kappa Psi is a national honorary band fraternity. The Eta Omicron chapter of KKP has been in existence at JMU for 16 years. It has won the award for top chapter in the nation three times and strives daily to uphold the honor of that title. The group participates in Parade of Champions, Adopt-A-Highway and Rockin' the Burg.



FIRST ROW: Mike Dabrowski, Amy Parsons, Todd Catlet, Michelle Hill, Nicole Smith, Marsha Hurt, Laura Cole, Laurie Stillman, Rosalind Morris, Debbie Stromberg, Janine Scherline

SECOND ROW: Meredith Bardwell, Andrea Iwanik, Jen Ambrose, Carissa Brown, Kelly Carter, Aimee Peck, Heather Woodson, Sharon Alexander, Jen Phillips, Mike Hershkowitz, Bronwyn Schrecker

THIRD ROW: Rosalyn Davidson, Ben Bernstein, Nick Liappis, J.R. Snow, Elizabeth Hadley, Brian Webb, Jimmy Bost, Phil Benson, Amy Schoettinger, Kay Swennes, Chris Summers, Bob Boyle

## Kappa Kappa Psi





*"These are the days.*

*These are the days you might fill with  
laughter until you break.*

*These are the days you might feel a shaft of  
light make its way across your face.*

*And when you do you'll know how it was  
meant to be.*

*See the signs and know their meaning.*

*It's true, you'll know how it was meant to  
be. Hear the signs and know they're  
speaking to you, to you.*

*These are the days."*

*10,000 Maniacs*

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"We will draw  
the curtain and  
show you the  
picture."

William  
Shakespeare



First Row: Evan Cantwell, Statia Molewski, Rachel Roswal Second Row: Wendy Crocker, Becky Lillard, Leah Bailey, Erin Binney, Sonal Dutt Third Row: Reed Williams, Meagan Vilsack, Kat Williams, Morgan Daniels, Cassie Chin, Jeff Morris

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*Over the course of the last year, the dedicated staff of the 1997 Bluestone worked diligently and endlessly to preserve the year in pictures and words. Though long deadline nights, crashing computers and missing pictures may have disheartened some at times, we persevered to complete and produce another award-winning yearbook for the students and faculty of James Madison University. We hope you enjoy the Bluestone as much as we enjoyed producing it for you.*





# U N I T E

Attracting many students for the fellowship, community interest and campus involvement, the Greek system flourished once again in the wake of an increased student body. With over 700 female students rushing in the fall, several sorority pledge classes exceeded 55 members. To many, joining the Greek system was much like joining an extended family. Aside from the social gains, many organizations donated time and money to national and local charities. The members of the Greeks system joined Delta Gamma in their annual Anchor Splash event, raising money for Service for Sight. Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity staged Lombardi Gras II, a charity concert held on Godwin Field in honor of a brother diagnosed with Cancer. Alpha Chi Rho helped to beautify the community by painting a mural at the Monte Video elementary school. Through social and local involvement, the Greek system united to strengthen ties between themselves, the university and the community.

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~ Cassandra M. Chin ~  
EDITOR

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Sigma Pi

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"With unity  
and progress,  
Sigma  
Pi moves  
on."



Spaceman Spiff and Burger clown around at a Halloween Party at Melrose. Melrose Caverns was a popular spot for Sigma Pi to celebrate holidays and hold large parties.



**FIRST ROW:** Ishtar, Boltz, Adonis, Gerbil, Kato, Abe, Vernon, Quervo, Hummer, Buckner, Spider

**SECOND ROW:** Admiral, Brett, Looty, Shaggy, Poon, B-Rocks, Gonzo, McFly, Foccacia, Spiff, Melton, Pita's friend, Pita Pita, Jared, Deuce, Forrest Gump, Guido, Chris, Smoothy, Splotch, Shinobi, Neil

**Sage:**  
Brett Stein  
**Vice President:**  
Jason Wright  
**Treasurer:**  
Mark Loventhal  
**Secretary:**  
Dudley Bowman  
**Philanthropy:**  
Evan Cantwell  
**Rush Chairman:**  
Neil Gorman  
**Pledge Educator:**  
Ross Weinstein  
**Herald:**  
Chris Stalionis  
**Social:**  
Matt Kowtna, Pita



Sigma Pi is not afraid to throw a celebration. A group of brothers are crowd surfing during their party in their fraternity house on Greek Row.

After four fun-filled years, the senior ZTAs are finally prepared to leave. Senior party is held each year to say goodbye to the seniors and wish them the best.



These two Sigma Pi brothers, Kevin Silver and Mark Deters, recline on some rocks to get a good view of the mountains while on a fraternity hiking trip.



ZTA sisters Debbie Rowlands, Sheri Krikovic and Ally Kusek bid their graduating senior friends farewell at spring 1996 passdowns.

**President:**  
Carol Davis  
**VP Coordinator of**  
**Committees:**  
Jessie Steelberg  
**VP New Member**  
**Coordinator:**  
Katie Kennedy  
**Treasurer:**  
Lauren Knapp  
**Recording Secretary:**  
Michele Pestka  
**Rush:**  
Nicole Breschi

FIRST ROW: J. McLaren, R. Darling, M. Weiss, M. Armstrong, K. Shrewsbury, S. DeBernardis, S. Cogar, N. Kotsinger, J. Pfleger SECOND ROW: K. Copeland, Y. Peterson, J. Navon, D. Gerry, N. Rothschild, C. Hodges, J. Gates, N. Pellegrino, H. Gonzales, M. Shearer, A. Lowenbach, K. Martin, K. Titus THIRD ROW: L. Knapp, M. Pestka, J. Steelberg, K. Yondola, K. Plamondon, J. Aheme, S. Phillips, J. Kroll, M. DePue, G. Fox, M. Meany, K. Moon, A. Connor, D. Gorman, J. Santora, M. Davis, K. Hale, E. DeDeo, C. Davis, L. Sizle FOURTH ROW: L. Taylor, T. Mannion, S. Burris, C. Rice, K. Hoke, J. Pedersen, E. Mosley, B. Thompson, M. McLaren, C. Steele, M. Grod, C. Meixner, C. Sullivan, L. Mann, E. Bozzi, S. Antzoulatos, D. Onstian, K. Bordwell, H. Fincham FIFTH ROW: J. DeBellis, A. James, C. Kappel, S. Brady, A. Adamchat, K. Sullivan, M. Decostanzo, C. Godwin, K. Crouse, D. DeBellis, L. Dodson, S. Wagner, A. Price, C. Royston, M. Johnson, C. Leleck, E. Deviney, J. Greene, J. Lloyd, M. Wilkinson, A. Civino SIXTH ROW: J. Powell, C. Varashas, L. Delaney, C. Barch, L. Evans, L. Schultze, K. Nilsen, E. Turner, H. Mims, E. Summerell, H. Herman, R. McKinley, J. Jameson, L. Ramsey, K. Heffley, R. Dougherty, N. Breschi, M. Biddle, M. Ashley, A. Shanely.



"Comprised of diverse, young women committed to the ideals of scholarship, service and sisterhood."

Big sister Missy Weiss and little sister Jasmine Aherne celebrate Homecoming together on Greek Row. Homecoming was a great time for many new members to meet alumni sisters.



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Julie Greer and Maureen Adler get all caught up in the spirit. "Sigmas in Space" was the year's theme for the annual sister party, which was thrown by the new pledge class.



**President:**

Katie Lawson

**Vice President:**

G.G. Smith

**Administrative VP:**

Dillon Nugent

**Treasurer:**

Teresa Mancini

**Secretary:**

Beth Cheavens

**Rush Director:**

Whitney Smith

**Education Director:**

Melissa Lentini

With finals over, these Sigma Sigma Sigma sisters find time to hang out down at the house before everyone leaves for summer break.

Jerry Cooper, Aaron Burford, Corey Warren and William Jones of Alpha Phi Alpha relax together as they enjoy a night out on the town.



**FIRST ROW:** J. Doyle, H. Tomasek, S. Berkle, S. Oelsch, K. Paris, J. Maura, G. Smith, S. Slovensky **SECOND ROW:** C. Hall, W. Smith, J. Rayner, C. Mittendorf, S. Sentman, K. Madison, C. Fibery, T. Mancini, B. Cheavens, D. Nugent, A. Harper **THIRD ROW:** B. Marras, K. Shrader, A. Tate, E. Schaeffer, A. Harrell, J. Sandoval, E. Armstrong, A. Smith, S. Cipra, A. Edwards, C. Gollavan, J. Greer, K. Sheridan, J. Nugent, S. Evans **FOURTH ROW:** B. Smith, C. Hinton, E. Schweitzer, K. Wilson, J. Myers, J. Anthony, M. Padraza, S. Toogood, S. Ross, E. Gus, M. Abbott, K. Conklin, J. Mudge, C. Mattingly, D. Jessen, J. Evancoe **FIFTH ROW:** L. Moore, E. Jordan, E. Coleman, C. Legan, M. O'Leary, L. Dev, C. Owen, M. Lentini, H. McGeorge, K. Wetterhahn, E. Esleek, B. Chadwick, K. Hobson, K. Keenan, K. Stopp, C. Mullins, K. Kietner **FIFTH ROW:** J. Hedden, A. Armstrong, K. Williams, S. Wood, A. Burr, L. Cernosek, J. O'Connor, S. Newmann, G. Alrose, K. Turman, C. Wauck, J. Church, M. Gilligan, C. Clark, Megan O'Donnell, M. Fields, T. Kneese, L. Miller, C. Nielsen, I. Stewart, J. Powers



"We, the sisters of ΣΣΣ, are diverse and take pride in all that we do as a sorority. The bond of sisterhood is strong and will last forever."



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"First of All,  
Servants of  
All,  
We Shall  
Transcend  
All"



**FIRST ROW:** Corey Warren, Warner Roberts, Jerry Cooper, William Allan Jones

**SECOND ROW:** Michael Andrews, Chris Jones, Sekenia Welch, Gary McCoy, Aaron Burford, Craig Welburn



Tri-Sigma sisters pose for a picture together. Each semester, the sorority has a sister date, which is normally semiformal. The house was a great place to prepare for the event.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. has been the winner of four consecutive Homecoming step shows. Several brothers show off their awards at the organizations fair.

**President:**  
William Jones  
**Vice President:**  
Michael Andrews  
**Recording Secretary:**  
Gary McCoy  
**Corresponding Secretary:**  
Benjamin Clay  
**Financial Secretary:**  
Jerry Cooper  
**Treasurer:**  
Jerry Cooper  
**Chaplain:**  
Gary McCoy

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The Convocation Center cleanup is just one of the activities that William Jones participates in with Alpha Phi Alpha in order to serve JMIU and the community.

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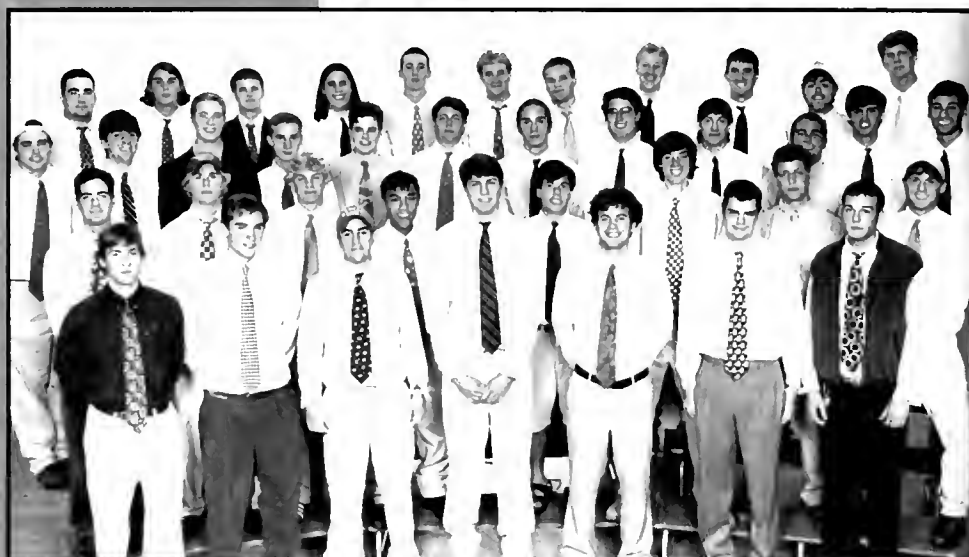
Kappa Sigma

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These musically gifted seniors Stephen Beggs and Luis Ferreira open for Boxturtle at Homecoming 1996. The key to a good party is often great music!

"The purpose of Kappa Sigma is to achieve the total development of a better man."



First Row: Richard Sowers, Coles Wilkinson, Vic Calder, Chris Peterson, Stephen Beggs, Matt Gregg, John Muhler Second Row: Luis Ferreira, Harrison Hall, Tommy Arnold, Steve Huie, Kelly Jones, John Wachter, John Adamson, Mac Jamieson Third Row: Tony Brown, Claiborne Johnston, Robbie Diggs, John Bureman, Mike Brown, Will MacDougall, Larry Nieman, Russ Rabb, Stephen Westphal, Todd Brookshire, Steve Yavorsky, Jeff Raymond Fourth Row: Steve Lagow, Clark Williams, Nate Cooper, Clark Shay, Bill Amos, Scott Cale, Jeff Dunn, Robbie Bivens, Cliff Applewhite, Brian Lambiotte, Neil Chandler

**Grand Master:**  
Neil Chandler  
**Grand Procurator:**  
Scott Cassidy  
**Grand Treasurer:**  
Timothy Hardy  
**Grand Scribe:**  
Richard Kiefner  
**Grand Master of Ceremonies:**  
Jeff Raymond



These Kappa Sigs have no fear of the great outdoors. Brothers simultaneously enjoy each other's company and a fabulous view of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Skate night at Skatetown is a favorite activity for these AEA sisters. Stumbling but smiling, these girls demonstrate their athletic ability for the cameraman.

he brothers of Kappa Sigma often  
un their spring break trips together.  
st year, these brothers vacationed in  
the Bahamas.

ΑΣΑ sisters can often be found at  
the same parties. On this particu-  
lar night, seven girls find each other  
in a party room.



**President:**

Dana Schwartz

**Vice-President:**

Heather Thomas

**Standards:**

Danby Snodgrass

**Treasurer:**

Nikki Yohe

**Secretary:**

Megan Lyman

**Membership:**

Kate Jenkins

**Rush:**

Allison Smith

Decked out for the Foxfield races, these  
four Alpha Sigma Alpha sisters are pre-  
pared to socialize with organizations  
from JMU and other Virginia schools  
such as UVA and Virginia Tech.



**FIRST ROW:** C. Morris, C. Bergan, D. Schwartz, P. Elbor, A. Hall, M. Jameson, R. Adler, A. Smith **SECOND ROW:** J. Wesler, C. Loukas, N. Yohe, L. Schwartz, J. Harper, R. Gersnowicz, J. Pipitone, K. Kelly, H. Price **THIRD ROW:** M. Price, K. Piorowski, K. Jenkins, G. Anderson, D. Snodgrass, J. Dugan, E. Dalski, S. Bradley, S. DeCoster, B. Hurst, A. Watson, R. Smart, D. Junker, K. Parnaceo **FOURTH ROW:** E. Nehribas, J. Bowman, A. Ward, S. Morgan, K. Hoffman, C. Flemming, A. Summers, C. Graves, C. McKee, K. White, J. Schubert, C. Kendrick, E. Ryalls, J. Taylor, J. Thomas, K. Choyce, H. Thomas **FIFTH ROW:** K. Levin, K. Nazelrod, B. Neely, P. Caposella, L. Dowling, M. Anderson, S. Hughes, K. Daniels, M. Jalbert, E. Hochman, M. Schertzer, M. Lynam, S. Rice, M. Seeley, L. Gustafson **SIXTH ROW:** J. Smith, M. Comstock, B. Lindsay, S. Pfeifer, K. Rayburn, J. Seuffert, K. Waletich, J. Andrews, K. D. Angelo, S. Forest, J. Radeug, M. Gosnav, J. Marlowe, W. Krauch, K. Ovsigard, A. Jellery, L. Zacharias, B. Zarkulak, T. Henson **SEVENTH ROW:** B. Stone, D. Passaro, C. Nardone, J. Armstrong, E. Crosby, E. Crane, L. Frances, T. Lucas, S. Stafford, J. Theodorakos, J. Howard, K. Jones, J. Cardner, K. Taylor, K. Hoy, M. Foster, E. Camouso, A. Morley, V. Scherer, E. Zehler, K. Wagner, S. Marcus, K. Tufanello **EIGHTH ROW:** J. Saksa, E. Cassidy, A. Kenelvy, S. Holt, S. Leslie, C. Irtiga, C. Gardner, T. Russell, C. McCabe, J. Johnston, J. Areglado, A. Beane, C. Frank, M. Moore, C. Keating, M. Caperton, C. Benney, K. Orr, C. Ewing, E. Stevenson, W. Melton, C. Davenport **NINTH ROW:** C. Travlos, G. Hayes, J. Hendry, C. Quick, C. Williams, C. Speed, J. Short, M. Vilsack, M. Kulbieda, D. Crandall, A. Kraus, J. Erikson, K. Barker, V. Davis, S. Jones, B. DiTrappani, C. Keeney, S. Engelbert, K. Wilcox, A. Stokes, K. Brozetti, A. Bender



**Alpha Sigma Alpha  
Bid Celebration 1996**



"We have four  
aims:  
physical,  
social,  
spiritual  
and  
intellectual  
excellence."

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"Pi Kappa Alpha is made up of scholars, leaders, athletes and gentlemen."

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**FIRST ROW:** Segei Suzuki, Todd Sullivan, Mike Lee, Steve Andricos, J.T. Caright, Brian Chou, Seth Snider, Jeff Clengempeel **SECOND ROW:** Larry Hunt, Todd Burton, Jeff Johnson, Chad Fulmor, T.J. Fitzpatrick, Conor Smith, Andy Jakes, Lee Duer, Jim Wharton, Shoop **THIRD ROW:** Mike Walden, Dan Kayes, Mike Beitzel, Rob Burns, Greg Liewold, Ted Curran, Sean McCarthy, Donnie Skiados, Andy Erdman, Dave Ullman, Greg Faulk **FOURTH ROW:** James Hohman, Jeff Beecham, Greg Eriez, Chris Marchant, Ron Neuman, Seth Broadhurst, Brad Wilkinson, Sean Miller, Tim Bitter, Chris Weich, Geoff Ulanke, Dave Rappaport



Dancing in full costume are Michelle Lockman, Aimee Sheppard, Sharon Rainum and Stacy Slipakoff as they get off for a Halloween party at Melrose.

Pi Kappa Alpha brothers Ron Tidd, Neil Goradin and Danny Gaines proudly show off their 70s gear. The 1970s were a popular theme for parties.

**President:**  
 Chad Fulmor  
**External VP:**  
 Eric Dobretz  
**Internal VP:**  
 T.J. Fitzpatrick  
**Treasurer:**  
 Mike Walden  
**Sergeant at Arms:**  
 Nate Holder  
**Secretary:**  
 Chad Bernhardt



Steve Andricos dances to his heart's content at a Motown party with Alpha Sigma Tau. Pi Kappa Alpha brothers party with every sorority on campus.

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"Dedication to  
the cardinal  
principles of  
love, truth  
and  
HONOR."



FIRST ROW: Tom Callahan, Brad Hasselblad, Mike Peters, Chris Cobb, Chuck Casper, Jon Yike, Nassir Bayekzi, Danon Liercke SECOND ROW: Heath Ellington, Charlie Miller, Ken Dyer, Chris Mitchum, Lucas Hutchison, Justin McNally, Alan Morris, Wes Lindquist THIRD ROW: Theo Swain, Justin Kittredge, Matt Owens, Bradley Stott Cook Mason, Carter Harrison, Chris DeLancey FOURTH ROW: Steve Oas, Keith Fletcher, Adam Schmoot, Goose Gosnell, Odo Von Wulfen, Nazir Barekzi, Nomo Bankar, Kevin Deane, Adam McGuinley, Shawn Taylor



LaBaron Lewis, Goose Gosnell and Chris Cobb enjoy Mother Nature on a night of camping out with the fraternity. Fraternity events brought the brotherhood closer together.

**Commander:**  
Mike Peters  
**Lieutenant Commander:**  
Charlie Inman  
**Treasurer:**  
Brad Hasselblad  
**Recorder:**  
Chris Cobb  
**Risk Reduction:**  
Jon Yike



Brothers gather on the back patio to celebrate Homecoming weekend. Homecoming, one of the biggest weeks of the year, brings brothers together.

In honor of Founder's Week, Ze Phi Beta sisters Sophia Jordan, K Painter and Coletha Penn dress to impress for the sorority formal which is a much anticipated even

igma Nu brothers congregate off campus for a get-together. Brothers often leave Greek Row when they are on probation or just want a change.

The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority sisters win second place in the Homecoming step show with a "soul train" theme.



**President:**  
Sophia Jordan  
**Vice President:**  
Coletha Penn  
**Secretary:**  
Kia Painter  
**Treasurer:**  
Tiffany Jones

In celebration of the completion of their long, hard quest for Zeta, Nicole Lawrence and Kimberley Pendleton dance the night away at Melrose Caverns.



FIRST ROW: Kimberley Pendleton, Nicole Lawrence

SECOND ROW: Kia Painter, Coletha Penn, Tiffany Jones, Sophia Jordan



"Zeta Phi Beta was founded on the principles of scholarship, service, sisterhood and finer womanhood."

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# GREEK LIFE

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The brothers of Pi Kappa Phi participate annually in P.U.S.H. Week, People Understanding the Severely Handicapped. This past summer, former president of ΠΚΦ, Mike Feichtinger, rode across America. He was sponsored by fellow Greek organizations, local businesses, family and friends.

Greeks are often found on campus doing various projects to benefit the university. Several ΑΣΤ sisters plant flowers in front of Wilson Hall as part of the Adopt-A-Flowerbed program. Abby Bricker, Anitha Naganna and Janice Debraggio chose which breed of flowers to display in front of the building.



This year, AKA sponsored the first Lombardi Gras, an all-day concert that raised several thousand dollars for the Lombardi Cancer Institute. For those who attended, the concert was a day of fun that also benefited a worthy cause. Several bands entertained the crowd including Everything, The j in mary and Slackjaw.



**D**erby Days, ΣΧ's annual philanthropic event, raises money for the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. It is also one of the most anticipated weeks of the year for the eight sororities. The sororities compete all week in events like eating contests, banner design, scavenger hunts and a canned food drive. Traditionally, each sorority donates several hundred cans.

**T**he Alpha Kappa Lambda ultimate frisbee team shows their confidence before a big game. ΑΧΩ hosts an event called Frisbee Fling, which benefits Easter Seals and Domestic Violence. Fraternities participate by donating money to play each other in a round robin of Ultimate frisbee. Each fraternity is "coached" by an Alpha Chi Omega sister.



Leslie Hicks, Donnetta Payne and Tamara Lathan don't mind getting a little wet as they enjoy the weather and each others company while washing cars for a fund-raiser.



**President:**

LaTanya Johnson

**1st Vice President:**

DeTasha Jefferson

**2nd Vice President:**

Leslie Hicks

**Treasurer:**

Beverly Taylor

**Recording Secretary:**

Cherimonda Huff

**Corresponding Secretary:**

Monique Staunton

**Parliamentarian:**

LaQuisha Stephens

These girls are sad to see a sister graduating, but are comforted in knowing that their friendship will continue after the college years.

Sister dates are an excellent way to bond with everyone in the sorority. These Delta Gamma sisters are real knock outs in their semiformal attire.

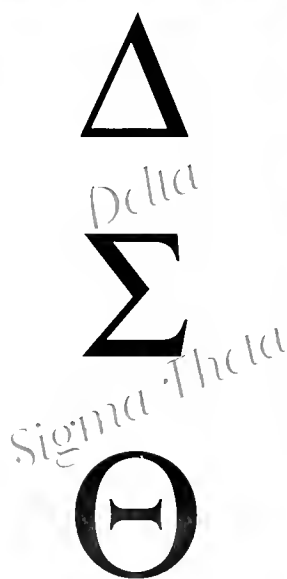


**FIRST ROW:** LaTanya Johnson, Leslie Hicks, DeTasha Jefferson, Beverly Taylor

**SECOND ROW:** Celeste Thomas, Naa Kwale Jones- Quartey, Monique Staunton, Donetta Payne, Marcina Williams, Tamara Johnson, LaQuisha Stephens, Merinda Battle, Cherimonda Huff.



"Our common goal is to promote high scholarship and to provide assistance to the needy."







Founded in  
1873, Delta  
Gamma was  
founded on the  
words "Do  
Good."



*Delta Gamma*



**FIRST ROW:** Colleen O'Hara, Kelly O'Conner, Stephanie Schuchert, Liz Carroll, Heather Houston, Heather Pringle **SEC-  
OND ROW:** Courtney Weeks, Jennifer Caraviotis, Amy Illingworth, Kerrin Sciortino, Claudette Eiloo, Kristie Schumate, Meg  
Galperin, Christy Stone, Heather Bossi, Kathy Selgas, Jaimie Darden **THIRD ROW:** Caitlin Stephens, Leann Behrens, Karen  
Witten, Wendy Sivori, Karla Fitchett, Ann Pemberton, Erika Hartwick, Shannon Tennant, Kerry Vale, Katherine Whitfield  
**FOURTH ROW:** Erin Gill, Jessica Cole, Elizabeth Funkhauser, Alice Scheele, Danielle Moore, Betsy Schetlen, Karen Rucker,  
Jaelyn Montanti, Kathryn McCauley, Barbara Blaniet, Kelly McGrath, Megan McDermott **FIFTH ROW:** Kathy Keller,  
Christine Freiherr, Jennifer Shane, Ginny Smith, Melanie Jennings, Courtney Wheatwill, Dana Heibig, Kristin Philbin, Gin  
Addison, Erin Levens, Angie Tucker, Catherine Jamer-Wong, Jen Voelker, Jenny Foss



A group of Delta Sigma Theta sisters  
take a break from serving the  
Harrisonburg community and celebrate  
their friendship by showing their soror-  
ity symbol.

Active sister Dana Smith welcomes  
two new pledges, Jennifer  
Caraviotis and Yazmeen Al, to  
Delta Gamma bid celebration 1996.



ΔΓ sisters Kerrin Sciortino and Kristie  
Schumate hang out before Greek Sing  
1996. Many sororities prepare for  
weeks for this all-Greek competition.

**President:**

Liz Carroll

**VP Chapter Program:**

Stephanie Schuchert

**VP Pledge Education**

Julie Walsh

**VP Rush**

Colleen O'Hara

**VP Scholarship**

Lori Benjamin

**Panhellenic Delegate**

Kelly O'Connor

**Treasurer**

Heather Houston

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"Together  
let us  
seek  
the  
heights."



FIRST ROW: M. R. ... K. ... J. ... A. ... C. ... K. ... A. ... SECOND ROW: E. ... S. ... J. ... R. ... R. ... J. ... M. ... N. ... J. ... J. ... E. ...  
THIRD ROW: A. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ...  
FOURTH ROW: D. ... H. ... S. ... M. ... J. ...  
FIFTH ROW: D. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ... J. ...  
SIXTH ROW: D. ... A. ... J. ... H. ... C. ... E. ... J. ... N. ... J. ... S. ... H. ... M. ...



Pumpkin Kirstin Devon and country girl Michelle Carlisle smile widely for the camera, unable to hold back their anticipation for the upcoming Halloween party.

**President:**  
Kim Linberger  
**VP Finance:**  
Lois Coyner  
**VP Education:**  
Eileen Wind  
**Fraternity Relations:**  
Kristen Geary  
**Intell. Development:**  
Michelle Carlisle  
**Membership:**  
Kelly Green  
**Rush Chair:**  
Debbie Abrahamson



Pledge Andrea Root grins happily as she spends her first Homecoming on Greek Row as an Alpha Chi Omega. Alumni are happy to see pledges all week long.

AXP brothers Tommy Chapmar, Drew Brown and Justin Sacco spent time in the parking lot before the Steely Dan concert in Virgin Beach.

Alpha Chi Omega sisters stand in front of one of the carefully prepared rush props. This year, the sorority went with an "Olympic" rush theme.

Doug Byrn and AXP brothers Justin Sacco and Reed Williams cozy up to the bar at the Alpha Sigma Tau formal.



**President:**  
Michael Hagan  
**Vice President:**  
Ben Lambrozzi  
**Secretary:**  
Ed Comstock  
**Treasurer:**  
Bryan Ward  
**Social:**  
Jeff Adhoot  
**House Manager:**  
Scott Johnson  
**Member of Large:**  
Bob Huffine

Ralph Aucella enjoys some of the delicious treats at the Alpha Sigma Tau formal in Washington, D.C. He and his lasagna are a match made in heaven.



**FIRST ROW:** Vince Nolasco, Justin Sacco, Sandy White, Mike Halpern, Alex Lowry, Chris Robinson

**SECOND ROW:** Reed Williams, Dan Thorton, Tommy Chapman, Chris Newby

**THIRD ROW:** Jay Cabana, Charles Smith, Jeff Adhoot, Mark Batten, Jeff Duncan, Marlon Ying

**FOURTH ROW:** Jay Moran, Michael Hogan, Cyrus Morrell, Jake Koun, Mike Cotter, Derek Steinbacher, Ralph Aucella, Nathan Becker



"Long hair  
and  
mountain  
bikes  
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required."

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Kappa Alpha, JMU's newest member to the Greek community, pays a visit to its national office, including the fraternity headquarters in Lexington, Va.



### Executive Officers

Kevin Grunkemeyer  
Michael Ingram  
Farrell Ender  
Adam Scheinberg  
Andrew Stelljes  
Steven Voss  
Ingram Haley  
Max Finazzo  
Brad McMullen

The brothers of Kappa Alpha gather in front of their house for a group picture before their post-initiation party:

Kappa Alpha brothers, Kevin Sambat, Jeb Foster, Kevin Grunkemeyer and Winkle enjoy each others company during Homecoming 1996.



FIRST ROW: Max Finazzo, Steve Voss, Adam Scheinberg, Michael Ingram, Kevin Grunkemeyer, Farrell Ender, Drew Stelljes, Ingram Haley SECOND ROW: Ben Mummert, Brian Frank, Bill Greenway, Edwin Gotico, Jon Barzli, Chris Cook, Andrew Sorensen, Brad McMullen, Kyle Wesson, Gabe Damiani, Dave Walker THIRD ROW: Jeff Soaman, Tom Edwards, Brian Van Winkle, Deron Murphy, Chris Disano, Doug Smith, Winston Trace, Matt Smith, Matt Cooper, Mike Pimentel, Ross Morgan FOURTH ROW: Doug Kirby, Jeff Eggleston, Andrew Lafiosca, Mads Hansen, Tim Lane, Kevin Chamberlain, Kevin Mosser, John Charters, Andy Boyles, Kevin Sambat, Drew Shontz, Court Burgess, Matt Jewitt FIFTH ROW: Chris Friedl, Jason Meade, Rodney Roberts, Justin Brittle, Drew Beck, Scott Settat, Chris Dunnivant, Grett Lav, Matt Beckman, Ryan Thompson, Jon Wilks, John Burnham



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"An order of gentlemen seeking to preserve the ideals of chivalry and respect for God and women."



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# *In Memoriam*



*Keith John O'Connell*  
2/12/73-10/12/96

*Ann Margaret Olsen*  
7/29/71-10/12/96

*We've yelled and  
we've stood silent and  
we've wept. But  
above all else, we've  
smiled."*

-Mike Ingram, vice president, KA Order



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*Alpha*  
*Kappa, Alpha*

"Dedicated young ladies based on the three principles of sisterhood, scholarship and service to mankind."



FIRST ROW: Danielle Bridgeforth, Tamika Gunn, Sharmila Shah, Nicole Mills

SECOND ROW: Shayla Henry, Meeshalana Parham, Tiffany Johnson, Stephanie Dews, Michelle Johnson, Latonia Anderson



AKA brother Gary McCoy and AKA sister Shayla Henry walk two miles together for Memory Walk 1996. The event is sponsored annually by the Alzheimer's Association.

**President**  
Tamika Gunn  
**Vice President**  
Danielle Bridgeforth  
**Secretary**  
Stephanie Dews  
**Corresponding Secretary**  
Tiffany Johnson  
**Treasurer**  
Sharmila Shah



These AKA sisters represent their sorority at "Take a Look Day." The day is intended to encourage minority students to apply for admission to and attend JMU.

Formal is more than just a date function for the brothers of KAP; it is time for all members to tighten the bonds of brotherhood that keep the fraternity strong.



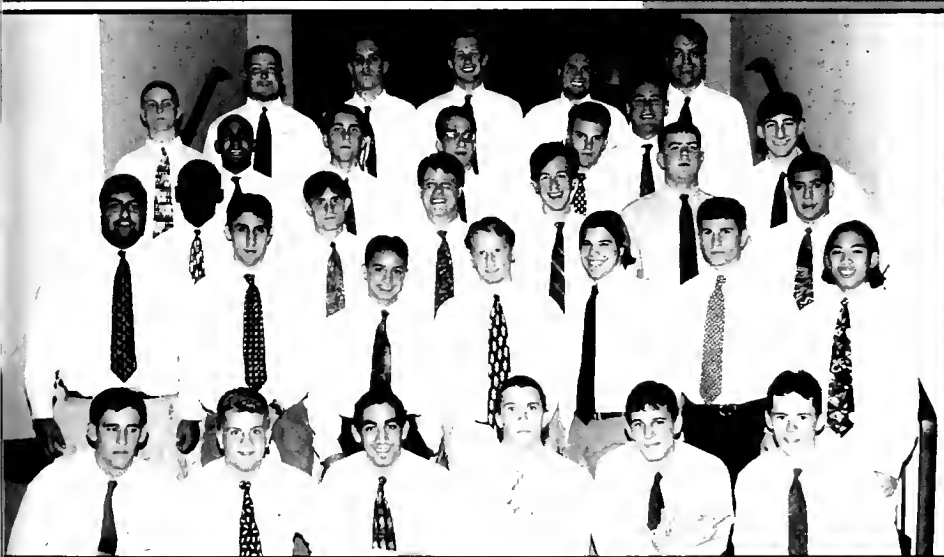
isters work hard during a car wash. Chi Pham and Hung Nguyen enjoy  
 he sisters of Alpha Kappa Alpha par- Kappa Delta Rho's formal with their  
 participated in many activities in order to dates, Kattie Joyner and Jessica Beck.  
 raise money.



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Trevor Robinson is definitely the hit of the party when he loosens his tie to dance for the crowd. Robinson made this Melrose event memorable.

**FIRST ROW:** Pete Tartaro, Joe Johnson, Paul Hajjar, Gary Maddox, Dan Palese, Jason Checca **SECOND ROW:** Murad Mahmood, Matt Steinberg, Arron Lyvers, Allen Schultz, John Oswald, Pete Folanubee, Chi Pham **THIRD ROW:** Marc Dawkins, Marc Cognetti, John Maslen, Benji McDowell, Tim Acord, Ariel Gonzolaz **FOURTH ROW:** C.L. Russell, Trevor Robinson, Robby Barbour, Greg Dombchick, Dave Grulke, Fred Hall, Jeff Sonsino **FIFTH ROW:** Jason Williams, Dave Bubser, Chris Lyles, Scott Cording, Matt Baldwin



"Honor  
 Above  
 All  
 Things"

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Greek Sing is one of the major events of Greek Week. Fraternities and sororities spend weeks getting prepared for the competition, which raises money for various causes.



The Order of Omega is a National all-Greek Honor Society that recognizes those students who have attained a high standard of leadership in Greek activities. The organization brings together faculty, alumni and student members of JMU's fraternities and sororities on the basis of mutual interest, understanding and helpfulness.

Order of Omega is a great contributor to Greek Week and Alumni Weekend, two of the most anticipated events of spring semester.

Members of the Phi pledge class AΣT stand proudly displaying the shirts for fall rush. The theme this year was "ASTronomy"



FIRST ROW: Mark Danzenbaker, Omar Mian

SECOND ROW: Maureen Adler, Lauren Knapp, Susan Palmieri, Adrianna Rojas, Tracy Kellogg, Heather Mitchell

Not Pictured: Mindy Fisher, Laine Donlan, Rob Abbott, Emily Dean



Order



of Omega

"High  
Standards  
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Leadership"



Unite



"We pride ourselves on our open minds and our willingness to learn and grow."

# A Alpha Σ Sigma Tau T



FIRST ROW: A. Smith, K. Hendricks, S. Anderson, A. Self, A. Bricker, S. Marks, C. Mallery, J. Rizzo SECOND ROW: J. Lohrman, B. Behnke, B. Toalson, R. Somanth, A. Fontane, A. Pish, T. Coleman, K. Harbeck, L. Dean, M. Barnes THIRD ROW: S. Sheffield, J. Giorgiani, L. Birkhead, B. Philips, T. Jones, E. Fletcher, B. Borrelli, K. Nixon, K. Duklewski, A. Rhodes, M. Magyar, J. Virgilio, N. Jenkins, N. Plam, M. Moss, J. Pendleton, K. Thornton FOURTH ROW: L. Lovell, K. Shipley, C. Ward, E. Lasseigne, C. Mann, J. Malone, S. Ascenzio, T. Cothran, A. Jenkins, E. Peacock, C. Kline, W. Hanrahan, V. Ashraf FIFTH ROW: K. Mayglothing, A. Howell, A. Turner, M. Ryan, K. Russo, K. Kraus, B. Blankenship, J. Murach, B. Leonard, M. Swisher, M. Miller, A. Kagan, K. Moore, E. Clifford, S. Gale, P. Rall, S. Leiti SIXTH ROW: L. Orgon, Q. Smith, C. Lewis, K. Green, S. Pulley, K. Jenkins, H. Kogut, A. Jeter, K. Johnson, L. Henry, C. Batzli, A. Berger, C. Michel, J. Jennings, M. Rapp, K. Rosner



Emily Fletcher, Tracy Hendrikson and Wendy Hanrahan are shown attend a seminar sponsored by Order of Omega for the Greek community.

Carrie Bender, Johanna Lohrmann, Mel Barnes and Nudrat Salik stop at a "Rawhide" tourist attraction during the AΣT convention this summer in Phoenix, Ariz.

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These AΣT sisters are excited to celebrate their 1996 bid celebration in their togas. This year, each of the eight sororities extended bids to over 50 girls respectively.

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"If I had a flower  
for every time that  
I thought of my  
sisters, I would  
walk in my gar-  
den forever."



FIRST ROW: K. W. S. P. SECOND ROW: K. S. N. D. L. J. S. A. L. E. M. A. U. J. T. A. H. L. L. O. W. S. R. M. M. M. E. T. M. D. O. T. THIRD ROW: S. K. L. A. G. L. L. H. L. S. B. O. R. K. A. R. C. A. R. D. O. S. M. O. R. A. L. E. S. M. C. O. R. T. E. L. L. O. K. S. D. E. L. N. S. I. K. A. C. B. P. C. A. G. E. FOURTH ROW: K. M. L. L. E. R. K. D. O. N. E. Y. M. F. O. R. D. M. A. C. K. E. R. M. A. N. G. D. O. Y. L. E. M. F. O. R. D. S. I. M. O. N. U. K. F. K. F. R. A. N. K. F. R. I. E. S. S. C. O. L. L. E. G. E. F. I. F. T. H. R. O. W: I. G. R. A. Y. M. A. G. N. E. S. I. C. H. A. B. O. T. I. T. A. T. E. A. R. A. F. E. H. R. K. I. N. G. B. D. O. W. M. S. I. D. E. S. A. C. H. O. R. N. C. O. R. A. T. O. R. A. T. O. R. M. G. I. L. L. E. A. S. O. Y. D. E. R. P. E. T. H. SIXTH ROW: I. S. I. M. O. N. U. K. B. E. A. S. T. A. S. S. K. B. E. L. L. P. A. M. M. A. N. I. A. C. H. A. R. L. O. T. E. L. L. A. T. E. M. M. A. K. E. I. G. R. E. E. N. A. Y. O. U. N. G. I. K. O. S. M. A. D. E. M. H. A. M. P. T. O. N. A. K. A. B. L. E. A. L. E. S. H. E. R. M. S. E. C. O. L. L. E. G. E. S. W. E. L. L. D. P. O. R. T. I. H. A. R. C. H. O. R. N. K. N. E. W. T. O. N. I. T. E. M. P. L. E. SEVENTH ROW: M. M. A. Y. F. I. E. L. D. I. D. A. M. S. C. O. R. A. K. E. Y. I. C. O. R. T. O. M. M. C. O. N. I. T. E. K. I. E. A. R. R. M. O. L. E. K. A. A. N. A. T. O. B. D. I. L. W. O. R. T. H. M. C. A. N. A. D. A. S. C. D. I. M. A. R. C. O. E. B. O. B. B. O. W. E. N. K. I. E. R. M. P. E. T. I. T. O. N. N. Y. O. R. G. I. S. S. E. E. I. G. H. T. H. R. O. W: N. V. E. L. E. K. B. L. A. N. G. A. M. E. I. H. O. W. A. R. D. T. L. O. N. G. A. T. I. N. G. E. C. H. A. N. A. Y. O. R. C. C. L. A. S. S. I. C. S. B. O. N. E. C. G. O. R. D. A. T. O. N. G. A. K. E. G. A. T. C. O. R. E. M. S. F. E. M. M. E. S. E. X. K. Q. U. I. N. L. A. I. J. W. H. A. L. E. N. D. R. I. E. L. L. I. A. T. N. I. N. T. H. R. O. W: K. W. O. L. F. K. A. T. E. R. A. B. A. R. E. S. R. S. L. E. A. R. R. E. F. E. R. T. H. I. N. T. R. I. N. G. K. T. R. O. U. T. C. S. T. O. N. E. A. L. E. E. S. D. N. I. E. L. M. C. O. R. A. S. C. O. R. A. S. M. A. C. B. D. O. W. S.



Roommates Patricia Carter, Cassie Chin, Nicole Carzo, and Nicole Young take a moment away from the crowd at Sigma Kappa's annual Founders Day formal.

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The girls of Forest Hills get together for a group picture at bid celebration. This year, ΣK gained 54 wonderful new sisters.

Alpha Kappa Lambda brothers pay for a picture outside after a gre dinner at PC Dukes.

Σ Sigma Kappa sisters prepare for a  
trip to UVa. for a Halloween party  
with ΔΣΦ. ΣK girls are never too old  
to celebrate Halloween!

One of the best parties of the year  
is AKA's Kamikaze party at  
Melrose, as these brothers can at-  
test to.



**FIRST ROW:** Amit Kumar, Joe Conradi, Brian Anderson, Mike Rubel, Kevin Gasque, Hou Wang, Joseph Parker **SECOND ROW:** Pete Luongo, Sean Bergesen, Ray Wagner, Chachi Bianchi, Chris Carter, J.R. Wycinsky, Craig Sell, Davey Aheam, Ryan Parr, John Rosenblatt, Greg Wright **THIRD ROW:** Brian Bughman, Scott Ferguson, Haroun Yaqub, Marty Neier, Jason Burt, Ian Drewry, Adam Rolfe, Roger Clore, Tim Lynch, Ken Taylor, Billy Gentry, Adam Strach, Greg Cassonni, Kevin Laden, Chad Harrington **FOURTH ROW:** Craig White, Jay Hoffman, Mike Reese, J.J. Frazier, Adam Clement, Doug Schoonmaker, Andy Nick, Chris Herndon, Matt Dixon, Kevin Harris, Vince Coyle, Andrew Walters, Matt Jehn, Mike Mohlstedt **FIFTH ROW:** Matt Buedke, Geoff Noto, Mike Massey, John Cowperthwaite, Teddy Folkman, Josh Kutner, Gary Alleva, Pat Cavanaugh, Josh Mattes, Jason Bell, Tim Moore, Cory Anderson, Austin Adams, Will Weinig, Brian Trone, Mike Acerra **SIXTH ROW:** Jon Judah, Jim Sager, Sean Lublin, Josh Elliot, Jason Fredrick, Jack Benoff, Brady Allen, Brian Yager, Jason Niehamer, Brendan Bowman, Mike Graf, Matt Coburn, Steve Kolouch, Mark Easley, Kenny Burgess, Rob Forster, Mark Danzenbaker



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Several Alpha Kappa Lambda brothers hang out at Shenrock, the off-campus AKA house on Main Street. Many fraternities offered off-campus housing.



"Producing  
responsible  
men  
for  
society."

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# IMAGINE

“The most comprehensible thing about the world is that it is incomprehensible.”

-Albert Einstein. Trying to capture all the different faces of JMU with a staff of six made me realize the profoundness of this statement. Expressing the true essence of JMU on film was nearly impossible due to the diversity of student perspectives, but we did our best in depicting what we thought being a student was like. Whether it was a graduate streaking the Quad, a freshman worried about appearances, the lost soul getting trampled in Dukes, or a dreamer relaxing in the Valley, we made these moments permanent. If not for the happy-smiley and occasionally sad and downtrodden people of JMU our job would not have been accomplished. We came, we saw and took some pictures. The following pages represent the creme de la creme of our “creative” photos. Imagine that? The gallery is a personal statement of each photographer approved by the NEA, your local PTA and FDA so no artificial ingredients included (in this section), not really, but ENJOY . . .

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*Punting in Oxford*



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*The Raven*

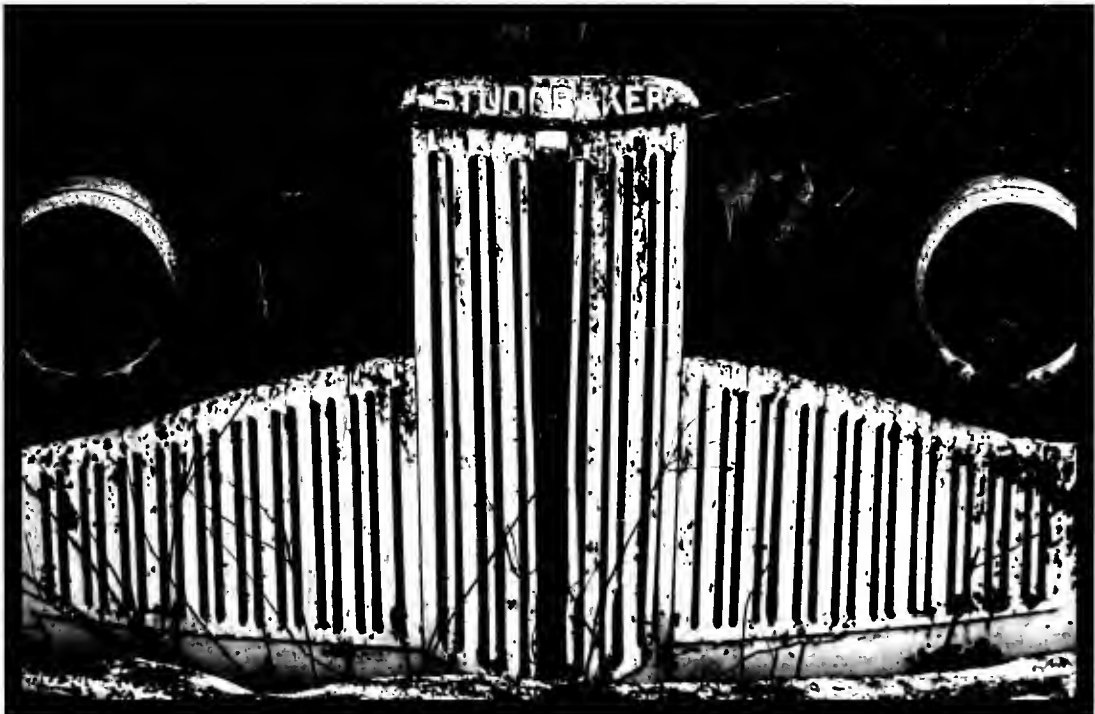




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*Tempora mutantur; nos et mutamur in illis.*

**From Owen's *Epigrammata***

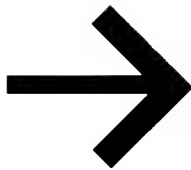




# StAtia

It takes a big man to cry, but it takes a bigger man to laugh at that man.

Just A 'normal get your room-mates in the year-book' picture







If a kid asks where rain comes from, I think a cute thing to tell him is "God is crying," and if he asks why God is crying, another cute thing to tell him is "Probably because of something you did."

Deep Thoughts by Jack Handey







# PROGRESS

As we stepped onto the campus for the first time, we were all our own person; possessing own unique personalities, ideas, morals and opinions. Little did we know that as we leave Madison, four years later, we would have changed so dramatically and in so many ways. Our narrow scope of the world was broadened to include people and experiences spanning the nation and globe. We saw the world come together in a grand show of athleticism and competition as the Olympic Games returned to America. Another presidential election came and went with students becoming more involved with the political world. Within a closer community, we saw campus grow to endless bounds, welcoming more students than ever before. We were also witness to tragedy in our own backyard, as we bid farewell to friends and loved ones close to us. We have changed infinitely with the world around us. We will continue to progress after our Madison days, taking all we have learned from her and others in our lives.

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# THE YEAR IN REVIEW



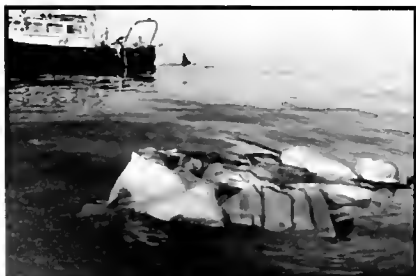
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TWA FLIGHT 800 CRASH

## ALL SAID AND DONE

"Don't forget to vote!" *Parting words of a gun-wielding robber who held up a Wheaton, Ill., bank for \$2,5000 while wearing a Bob Dole Mask.*

"All he wants is popcorn and garlic. Let us remember he has not been convicted of anything." *Lawyer Michael Tigar, on accused Oklahoma City Bomber Terry Nichols's five-month legal battle to be allowed certain foods in prison.*

"I was trying to do that new Democratic dance, the Macarena. I'm not going to try that anymore." *Bob Dole, joking about his well-publicized fall at a campaign event in Chico, Calif.*

"I find it hard to believe because she's so popular. She's such an attractive actress." *Christian Coalition founder Pat Robertson, explaining why he is suprised that the producers of Ellen DeGeneres's sitcom "Ellen" are considering having her character come out as a lesbian.*

WELCOME TO THE CENTRAL STUPIDITY AGENCY. *Greeting found by the visitors to the CLA's Internet home page after hackers breached security, adding obscene language and links to X-rated Web sites.*

"You probably can't find anybody on Mars who trusts Bill Clinton, either." *Dole campaign press secretary, Nelson Warfield, on finding life on Mars.*

"They ought to change the area code from 310 to 911." *Malibu resident Shirley MacLaine, on the frequency of fires in the seaside Los Angeles suburb.*

"When a weapon is found, the police have to be called." *Columbia, S.C., school superintendant Don Henderson, on an 11-year-old suspended and arrested for packing a smooth-edged knife in her lunch box so she could eat some leftover chicken.*

"Quite frankly, we are suprised that Madonna is stunned by anything." *Gary Rosen, spokesman for television tabloid "Hard Copy," on the singer's outraged reaction to the show's broadcast of a home video of her and new baby Lourdes.*

"My wife likes my [new] look. She's tired of me being the best-looking quarterback in the NFL." *Indianapolis QB Jim Harbaugh, who was wearing a protective shield while his broken nose healed.*

"It was nothing compared to four years in Washington." *Hillary Clinton, after disembarking from Disney World's Tower of Terror, a 13-story free-fall ride.*

THE POPE SAYS WE MAY DESCEND FROM MONKEYS. *Headline in the conservative Italian newspaper Il Giornale, after John Paul II acknowledged that the theory of evolution was "more than just a hypothesis"*

"Fun is not a Russian concept." *Moscow sociologist Maria Zolotukhina, on the difficulties faced by the creators of a Russian version of "Sesame Street"*



JOHN JR. AND CAROLYN



DAVE MATTHEWS BAND



BOB DOLE AND JACK KEMP



CENTENNIAL OLYMPIC PARK

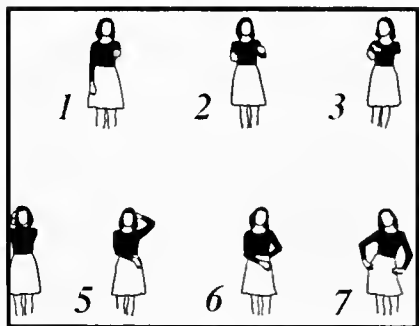
# THE YEAR IN REVIEW



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CALIFORNIA WILD FIRES

"I'll find another job." *Yankee fan* **Kenny Mack**, who risked his job as a bike messenger to stand in line with 10,000 other jubilant New Yorkers for tickets to the team's first World Series in 15 years.

"Skinny and really old ... I hope I'm not like him when I'm his age." *British model* **Nicole Kruk**, 22, when asked about her brief fling with **Mick Jagger**, 53.

"With all that money, he could have eaten anywhere." *Proud restaurateur* **Judy Elborra**, after a man alleged to have robbed a Trenton, NJ, savings bank stopped by *Mama's Chicken* and ordered 34 wings. He was nabbed blocks away after the bag of chicken was added to a police description.

"If this were New York, definitely, we'd have the picture by now." *East Coast paparazzo* **Aubrey Reuben**, on the fact that not a single L.A. photographer was able to snap a picture of Madonna with her baby daughter.

"Dad, don't be boring." *The advice of* **Charlotte Ickes**, 10, to *White House aide* **Harold Ickes** before he addressed an assembly at her school in Washington, D.C.

"Why should I be afraid of him anymore than anyone else? Because he might say mean things? Most people say mean things behind your back anyway." *Patty Hearst Shaw*, on *Howard Stern*, who asked her on his live radio program what she was wearing when she was raped in a closet by the *Symbionese Liberation Army*.



"I read half of it then I skipped through. I already know what it's about, though." *Gymnast Dominique Moceanu, 14, on her "autobiography," as quoted in The New York Times Magazine.*

"It's gotten to be a culture of whores ... Everybody namin' names, and ... cashin' in on gossip." *O.J. Simpson on the culture of Hollywood, in Esquire.*

"Ladies and gentlemen, stay calm. Some men are interested in what we have on board, and since they are armed, we have to wait." *Captain of an Air France flight held up in Perpignan by masked men, who made off with \$800,000 from the plane's cargo hold.*

"Hey, it's not as if I work in an industry obsessed by image and youth." *CBS news anchor, Dan Rather, who has settled the long-debated questions of whether he dyes his hair by finally allowing it to go grey.*

"Sometimes a kiss is just a kiss." *National Women's Law Center attorney Verna Williams, on Queens, N.Y., 7-year-old De'Andre Dearinge, the second boy in the news for having been suspended for "sexual harassment" after kissing a girl in school.*

"There are only three places where it's OK to spit; in the sink, in the toilet or in the garbage." *San Francisco nursery-school director Moira Murphy, when asked by a reporter if Baltimore Orioles second baseman Roberto Alomar needed a "timeout."*

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All quotes were compiled from issues of *Newsweek* and *Time* magazines respectively. All photographs were supplied by Associated Press  
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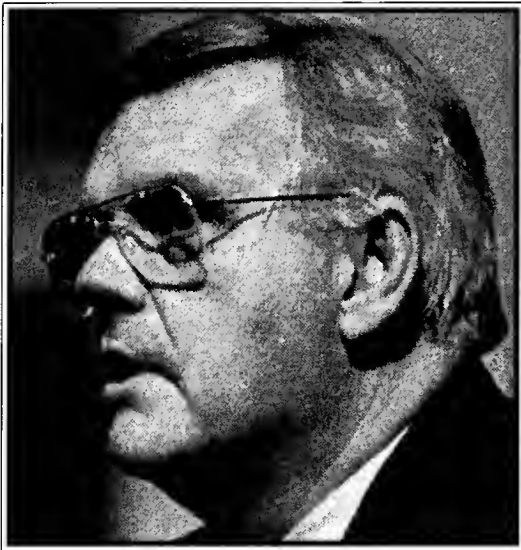
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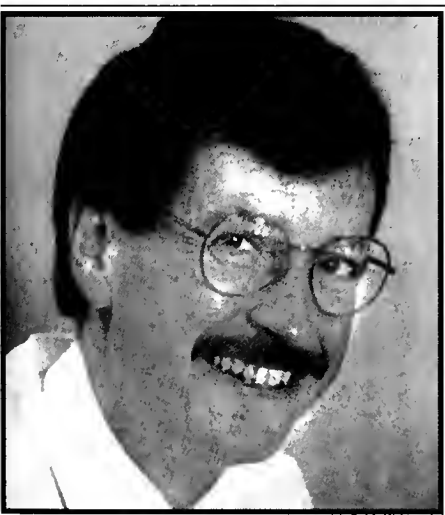
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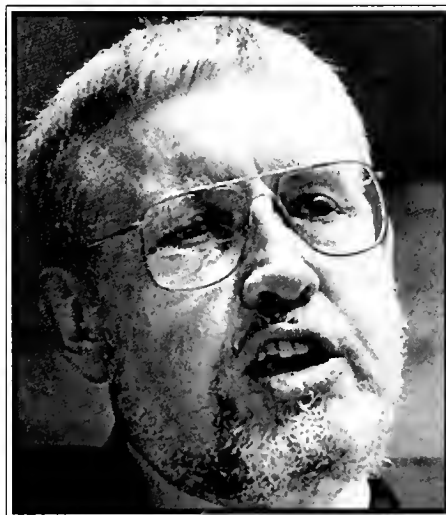
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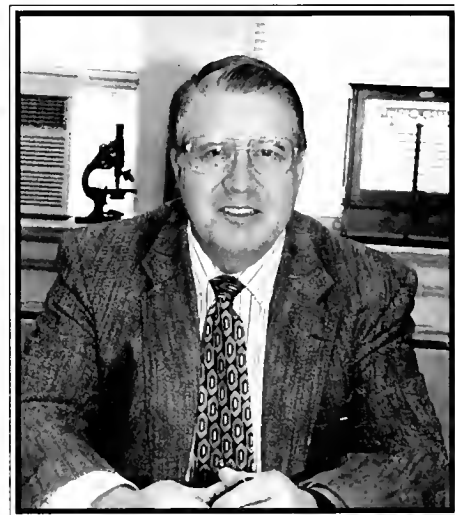
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# SONAL'S TURN




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*"Like a bird upon the  
wind, these waters are  
my sky. I'll never reach  
my destination, if I  
never try. So, I will  
sail my vessel until the  
river runs dry."*

*Garth Brooks*

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To say that I have changed in the past four years is truly an understatement. I can't even begin to catalogue all of the people and events that have influenced and shaped me into the person that I have become.

My time as Editor In Chief was one of the most rewarding, happy and painful times in my life. There were times when things could not have been better. Then there were those days that felt like they would never end. But looking back on the year, the good times and the bad, I know that I would not trade this whole experience for the world. I would not give up the friends I have made and the knowledge I have gained from this staff for anything.

This book sitting before you is a direct result of the work and dedication of the members of the *Bluestone* staff, who worked tirelessly to produce this yearbook for the students of James Madison University.

In this staff, I found promise, drive, emotion, perfection, grandeur and friendship. I could not have asked for a better group of people to work with, learn from and laugh with. It is because of them that I am proud to say that I was part of the 1997 *Bluestone*. So, here you go, guys. It's your book. Be very proud.

Garrett, what would I have done without you? You managed to make sense of all the chaos I caused. So, where will you be jetting off to next? Jamaica? Boulder? Good luck with everything and I hope our paths cross again after May.

Amy, it's been four years and I'm sad to see them go. Let's plan another trip to Orlando. I think that we still have a seat with our names on it next to Prince Charming. I walk home now ... Thanks for everything.

Oh, Evan. What a year. In case I forgot to mention it, I think that you are the most talented photographer to ever have graced the pages of the *Bluestone*. You truly amazed me time after time. Thanks for always trying your hardest to keep me happy. Buzz Lightyear to the rescue.

Rachel, I don't know where to start.

I feel like we've been through so much together. Over the past three years, you have become one of my closest friends. I don't know what I would have done without you. I have *no fear* that the *Bluestone* is in good hands. Always remember the Pal Martin imposter, Mr. Root and Dave from Planet Hollywood. Thanks for everything. By the way, Rachel L. Poswal, do you want to drive the van?

Leah, how happy am I that you came to be on staff with us; if not only for your soft-spoken words of wisdom and your sunny disposition, but also for preventing Rachel's impending heart attack. I'm so glad that we've brought out your mean side, too!

Nicole, don't worry. You're now officially done. No more names, majors, hometowns or mugshots. You did a great job. How about doing it again? Thanks for everything.

Wendy, you are just too cute! I'm so lucky to have worked with you this year. I see a silver book in our future...and if anyone can pull it off, it would be you. Is there a screen on your sports pages, or did we just imagine that? What do you look like?

Becky, you seem to complete the set. I always knew that fun was around when you and Wendy were in the area. Thanks for not getting mad when I repeatedly called you Wendy or deleted 16 completed pages. (I still feel bad about that!) Thanks for always staying on top of things when I fell behind. Yay for you!

Erin, guess what? You don't have to proofread this page. Yay! Your dedication to perfection was inspiring. I was never in doubt when it came to you. Why don't we each order a Charlotte pasta plate made for a family of six and a loaf of garlic bread? Thanks for being as anal as I was.

Cassie, would you like to type in the A&A group picture in again? I know that at times, this job was more than you had bargained for. Thank you for always coming through and for making the Greeks

& Orgs. sections better than they have ever been before.

To all the photographers, thank you, thank you, thank you. Your great work never went unnoticed. Reed, thank you so much for all your hard work. It was so comforting knowing that you were on the job. Any more papers to write? Meagan, can I possibly misspell your name any more times than I did? Thanks for always doing the job with a smile. Statia, I see big things in your future. By the way, how do you spell your last name? New York was a blast. Kat, how did you like being on the *Blue-stone*? Fun, fun, fun! Thanks for everything.

Jerry, I'm done. I can't even begin to count the number of times I came to you with some problem that you were able to fix. Thanks for everything. How about another trip with us to Orlando? Have you recovered from the last one yet?

Scott, no more deadlines and two-hour long phone messages. Thanks for always putting up with my crazy questions and requests. Good luck everything.

To all the volunteers that showed up week after week to help make this yearbook a reality, I give you my undying thanks. We couldn't have done it without you. Jeff, Tom (Paul), Rick and everyone else, thanks for everything.

Amy F., my how the years have flown. It's amazing that it all began four years ago, in a Residence Hall far, far away. I wish I had known then how important you would become to me. How many days till graduation? Have fun in London.

To all my friends in AΦΩ, thank you for all the good times and memories. You have all meant so much to me. I hope I gave you half of what you all gave to me in spirit, support and love. Brooke & Jenn, I couldn't have asked for a better family. Go Footballs!

Meghan, Tammy and Jessica, what a great year. Who knew that four people could be so different and yet have so much fun. You know you have it good when the last place you ever want to be is outside of your apartment. Long live Lois Lane. Too bad about the Cows.

Oh, Jess. How do I begin put this year into perspective? There is no one else that I would ever go bunjee-jumping with! In you, I found a teacher, a confidant, a

comedian, a soul mate, a friend. You and me are like peas and carrots. I hope you know what a special person you are. Enjoy your last two years of college and think of me once in a while. I'm totally loving you. Bombs.

And finally, to my family, I have to give you my eternal thanks for allowing me to live life to the fullest. I couldn't have asked for more support, love and guidance from you. Thank you, Annu, Amma, Payal and Maya for everything. I love you all.

With the thank-you portion of my Oscar acceptance speech concluded, I have to finally say farewell to JMU. As I walk through this beautiful campus for the last time as a student, I am reminded of why I fell in love with JMU and why I am so sad to say goodbye. I'll miss the snow capped peaks of the Blue Ridge Mountains cresting over Wilson Hall and the friendly faces that greet you at every turn.

So, within these pages of the *Blue-stone*, I leave the university a little piece of myself. I hope that this record of history helps you all remember how special James Madison is. I know that I will never forget the people and the places that have made JMU home in my heart.

So, I pass the torch onto you, Rachel. I know that is only the beginning of your amazing list of accomplishments. Remember to keep O-Boy in check and have fun. It's the experience of a lifetime. You'll make me proud, I know it.

Although many will tell you that all evidence is to the contrary, I seem to have found myself with nothing left to say. The reason for that, mainly, is because my four years at JMU can not be summed up easily in a paragraph (even though it's written in 11 pt. ACaslon). I've loved my time here and hope never to forget a second of it. So, to the entire *Bluestone* staff, the Class of 1997, my friends, family, and myself, I leave a heartfelt Yay for You. May JMU as special to you all as it has been for me.

*Sonal Dutt*

Sonal Dutt  
Editor In Chief



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*"All I want is to feel  
this way, to be this  
close, to feel the same.*

*All I want is to  
feel this way  
the evening speaks,  
I feel it say..."  
Toad the Wet Sprocket*

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# FROM THE STAFF

## AMY KELLER MANAGING EDITOR

To everyone who has worked on the Bluestone these past four years, thanks for shaping my college years and making me what i am now ... I owe part of myself to each of you.

Sonal: Serge say (and he right), you made good book. Congratulations, be proud.



Rachel: I hope you'll think of me next year as i'll think of you. It makes me feel good to know i'm leaving the book in good hands; you'll do a fantastic job. Can i meet you in Orlando?

Jerry: Thanks for always being there and for being more than just a yearbook advisor.

Nicole: Where were you when i needed you last year? Manilli, it has been a pleasure doing this with you again. It's nice to know that some things never change, i know you will always be there for me and i hope you know the same is true of me. Another David? I think not...

Betsy: Thank god WE'RE perfect. What happens now? These past four year have been a tremendous learning experience for me. Good luck wherever you end up, i know you will always define perfection. Please remember, no matter what, i am ready for the challenges of our McDonalds. Tina: It makes me feel good about myself to know that you too are nasty. Thanks for another great year.

## RACHEL ROSWAL FEATURES EDITOR

"Oh this shiny new computer—there just isn't nothin' cuter. It knows everything the world ever knew. And with this great computer I don't need no writin' tutor, 'Cause there ain't a single thing that it can't do. It can sort and it can spell, It can punctuate as well. It can edit and select, It can copy and correct, So I'll have a whole book written by tonight (Just as soon as it can think of *what* to write)." -*Falling Up*, Shel Silverstein



The last three years at the Bluestone have taught me more than any class ever could. Sonal, I don't know what I'm going to do when you're stalking Dante in Livorno and not here to take me everywhere and listen to me complain. I appreciate everything you've taught me...especially giving me the nerve to approach people. Leah, you've been the best to work with. I'm so happy that we got to know each other. You'll rock at whatever you do. Wendy and Becky, silver and yellow stripes would be great for next year. Thanks to Dana, Alison and Liz for putting up with my never being around because of this windowless office in good old Agony Seizure. ha. A BIG THANKS to everyone who helped me out at the last minute at deadline. O BOY: you know who you are. Erin, don't stress...you are GREAT at what you do. I don't know what we would have done without you. FYI Writing Center, thanks for paying so much attention to my yearbook stories. Ed and Kerry—only one more year to listen to all of this. Michael Glabicki thinks we're cool. "Now the world don't move to the beat of just one drum, what might be right for you may not be right for some."

## EVAN CANTWELL PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

yeehaw jester's dead!

Many thanks to you, a great staff of photographers. thanks for the help . . . Morgan, and Statia you will never get my mr. potato head. to my best friend. . . take those darn pigs out of your ears! Thanks for being there to hear my gripes, to laugh at my lame jokes, and for helping find my way through this place. "and even though you don't know me i was wondering if. . ."



Wendy and Becky, may buzz lightyear hang for eternity and if i'm ever lost on the railroad again i'll remember some extra film and you guys. it's been a peculiar experience, one i'll always look back to and never forget, to the guys at the House i really do live there, and i really was doing yearbook when i wasn't! Sonal it's been fun shooting for you, i hope you follow your dreams in NC! farewell to the friendly city, oh my gosch my hair's on fire thanks mom and dad couldn't of been here without you all.

i feel like i just won an emmy.

## LEAH BAILEY ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

"The most important things are the hardest to say. The are things you get ashamed of, because words diminish them. Words shrink things that seem endless when they were in your head but no more than actual size when they were brought out. But it's more than that, isn't it? The most important things lie close to where your secret heart lies buried, like landmarks to treasure your enemies would love to steal away, and you may make revelations that cost you dearly only to have people look at you in a funny way, not understanding what you said at all or why you thought it was so important that you almost cried while saying it. That's the worst, I think, when a secret stays locked inside not for want of a teller but for want of an understanding ear."

—Stephen King



Thanks to all the Bluestone staff for a memorable, terrific year! An thanks to Sonal and Amy for choosing me to be part of it.

Sonal, I'm so proud to have contributed to such a great book! But my thanks go to Rachel especially,

for being so much more than the wonderful partner to work with that you were. You are truly a treasured friend.



NICOLE STEFFEY  
CLASSES EDITOR

What do you mean? Another year's gone by? Amy: "It's definitely not David?", "It never had a chance." How good it was to be back in front of a layout - complaining about life with you. That's where we'll always belong. "We're so nasty, I love that!" Sonal: You can relax! Your work paid off! Rachel: Your enthusiasm was always refreshing to me. I'd wish you luck next year, but you won't need it! Evan: Producing a yearbook without photo problems - wouldn't be producing a yearbook. Relax! Dad and Grams "Does this guy want with the glasses without?", "Hey, this one's cute!", "OK, you're getting too personal, just pick one." Without you guys, I'd still be cutting. Mom - For helping me remember not to look at the big picture. "Make a list." Denise and Amanda - True Volunteers! For being my writers and for listening to endless complaints. Bill - "I don't know why I'm crying!" At least your kids will finally know you went to Madison. At least you won't have to listen to me talk about any more yearbooks. "I'm off to grow more brain cells."



BECKY LILLARD  
SPORTS EDITOR

When I walked into the Bluestone office at the end of August for my first meeting as co-Sports editor, I didn't know what to expect. It was rough in the beginning but the whole staff was incredibly helpful. Thanks to everyone for putting up with the goofiness of Wendy and I. I hope we made the late nights before deadline more fun. I just can't believe it's over already!



Wendy-we made a great team, thanks for putting up with me. You're great and you know it.  
Sonal-one day Dante will be yours!  
Evan-don't you ever forget about Buzz Lightyear to the rescue. May it hang in your life forever.  
Rachel-don't worry-Wendy and I really are normal.  
Thanks to everyone. You've helped fill my year with wonderful memories.

WENDY CROCKER  
SPORTS EDITOR

I see silver in the future, as I plan to continue to be a part of the Bluestone staff, if they will have me. Being a newcomer was complete chaos, but after Becky (my soul-yearbook-mate) and I took time out with Sonal and figured out what we were doing, I relaxed and took it one day at a time. Lots of laughter was found along the way as we worked our fingers to the bone night and day to come up with a unique but harmonious book that best represented JMU. Buzz Lightyear came to our rescue and aided us in our times of emotional distress. The positive atmosphere cannot be escaped and seeps into your soul as you find yourself saying "Yay for You!" I have gazed into the mind of a professional, polite stalker and witnessed breeze bias, learned from a true editing lifesaver, seen a layout master at work and looked through the eyes of crazy photographers who will do anything for a picture, such as running to railroad tracks under a sunset sky. Overall it's been a real learning experience, making me stronger, wiser and utterly silly. Let me just leave with the question "What do you look like?"



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*-the Beatles*

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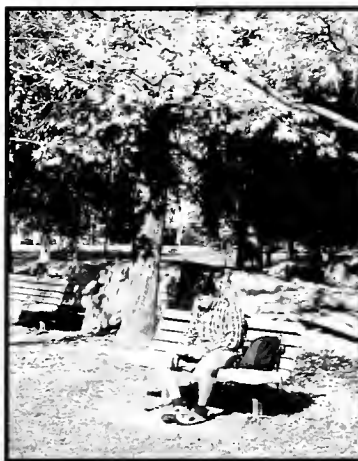
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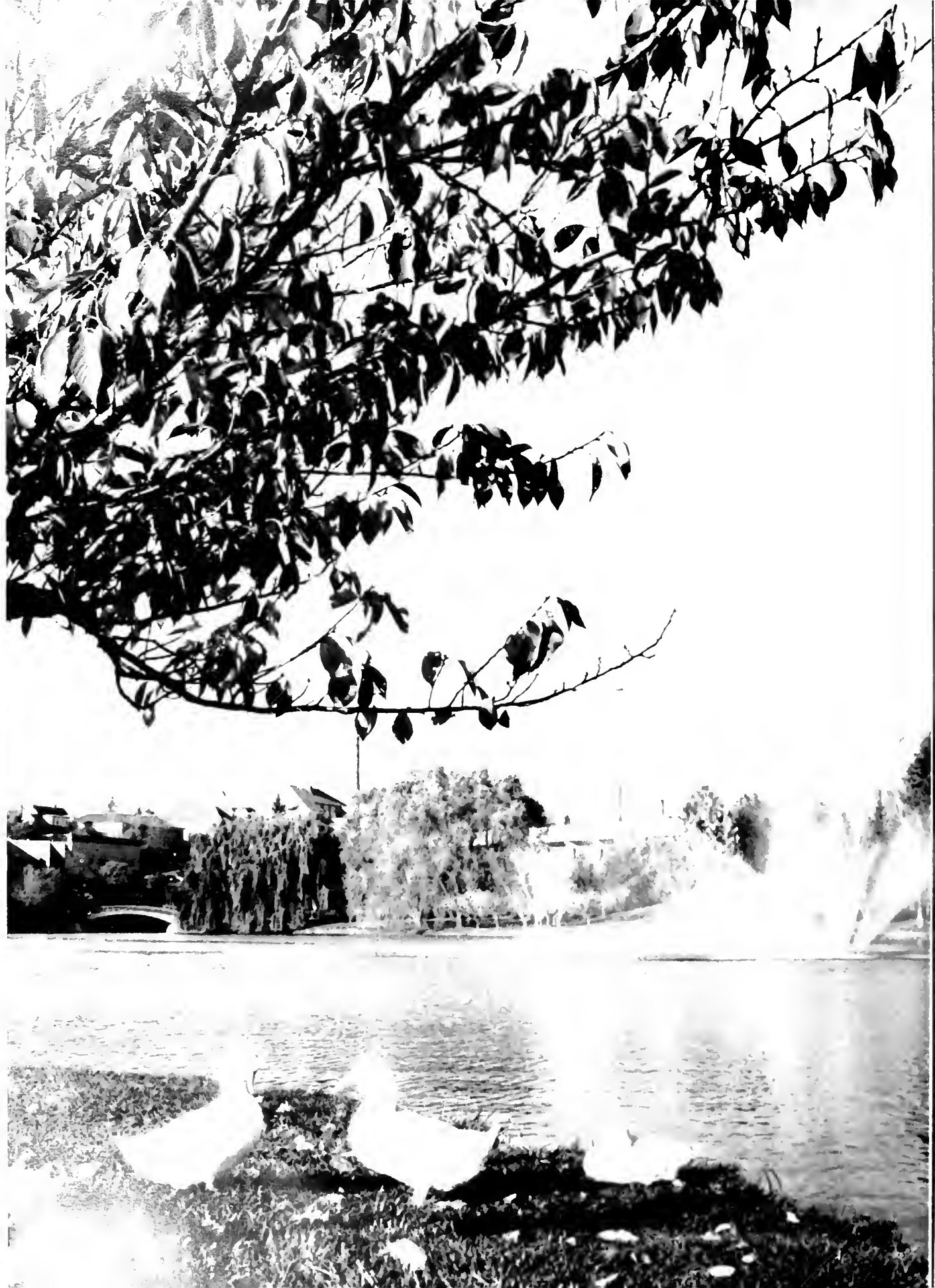
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